

THE WINTER CLUB DANCE TONIGHT

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ONE CENT

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

Within His Jurisdiction
According to the
State Law

TO RECEIVE ATTENTION

O. E. Mikesell, County Sealer,
Says Scope of Duties
Will be Enlarged

Owing to the great interest that attaches to an inspection of water, gas and electric meters, Sealer of Weights and Measures O. Evans Mikesell submitted to an interview in the Washington Observer, found below, in which he says that these public utility meters come within his jurisdiction, but owing to a pressure of other phases of his work he is unable at this time to give them any attention. Sealer Mikesell has received much correspondence upon the subject from various parts of the county and many personal calls relative to the subject. The interview follows:

"I have received so many communications and have been importuned so often regarding the inspection of water, gas and electric meters that a statement at this time will do much to relieve the situation and at the same time set the general public aright as to what can be expected in an investigation of these important measuring devices.

"Water, gas and electric meters, devices for measuring water, natural gas and electricity undoubtedly come within the present laws of the state as to inspection of weights, measures and scales or balances. In the act of 1911 are found these words: 'Where not otherwise provided by law, the inspectors shall have the power, within their respective jurisdictions, to inspect, test, try and ascertain if they are correct, all weights, scales, beams, measures of every kind, instruments or mechanical devices for measurement and the tools, appliances or accessories connected with any or all such instruments or measurements, used or employed within the city by any proprietor, agent, lessee, or employee in determining the size, quality, extent, area or measurement of quantity, things, produce, articles of distribution or consumption, offered or submitted by any person or persons for sale, for hire or award.'

"As water, gas and electricity are commercial products sold by public corporations to a general public their devices for measurement thereof are amenable to the present law.

"Many complaints are received at this office anent alleged shortages in water, gas and electricity. Whether these complaints are real or fancied the sealer is unable to say. Many patrons of these public utilities complain because they are unable to make a test of their own meters to ascertain whether or not they are getting what they pay for all the time. The general complaint is not so much that the patron is not getting what is coming to him for the amount of money expended, but that he has no way of knowing whether he is getting full measure. Some public utilities inspect their own meters and whether the work is honestly done or not is a matter of opinion.

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Interest Over \$700

County Receives Goodly Sum
on Money Deposited
in Banks

The interest statement just compiled by County Treasurer Samuel N. Downer shows that during the past month the county received \$717.12 interest on county funds deposited under the direction of Treasurer Downer. Since the first of the year, the county has received \$7,888.21 in interest through the foresight of the treasurer.

TODAY BREAKS RECORD

Twelfth Day, Twelfth
Month, Twelfth Year
is the Lineup

TOMORROW FRIDAY 13

Today carries off a century record as well as a monthly record. Tomorrow will be a record day also, and according to superstition should be a queer sort.

The century record is that today for the first time in 100 years it is possible to write three "12s" in characterizing the date. Twelfth day, twelfth month, twelfth year is the way it goes. The monthly record is that this is the coldest day of the month the mercury creeping down to from 15 to 20 degrees.

Tomorrow will be Friday the thirteenth, either a lucky day or an unlucky day, depending on the point of view. This day will be the second Friday the 13th, this year, the first one having been in September.

Twenty in. jointed Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 85c at Pfeighardt's. 120-41

New Light Train to Chicago.
Via Columbus and the Pan Handle Route. Leaves Union Station, Pittsburgh 6:30 p. m. (Central Time.) Connecting Pennsylvania Railroad train leaves Charleroi 5:50 p. m. No. 1184 D-12-19

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10c to \$10.00 at Pfeighardt's. 120-41

A marriage license was granted at Washington Wednesday to Miss Catherine E. Jacobs and Finley C. Morgan both of North Charleroi.

Ladies Desks all popular styles and finishes, \$7.50 to \$25.00 at Pfeighardt's. 120-41

ALLEGED THIEF EVEN TAKES BED CLOTHES

Monessen Hotels Suffer From Room Burglaries--

Police Looking for Slippery Individual
Believed to be Guilty

Monessen police authorities are looking for a slippery individual who is charged with the theft of a lot of bed clothing, doilies, and various articles from three hotels in Monessen. About three weeks ago, the man appeared and asked for a room at the Monessen Hotel. He paid his bill and left after a one night's stay. Later it was found that his room had been stripped.

The following night a man thought to be the same one registered at the

Fifth Avenue Hotel, and after he had gone the room was found to be minus a number of articles.

On Wednesday of this week a man appeared at the Grand Hotel, one of the best in Monessen. The performance was repeated, the room being stripped of bed clothing, doilies and such like. Before the loss had been discovered the man had left town. It is stated he did not touch jewelry, confining his operations to the stripping of his room, using a suit case in which to pack the goods.

ROLLED IRON DISK INTO BUILDING

Boys Before Burgess Risbeck
Charged With Damaging House

Three boys with their parents were before Burgess George W. Risbeck Wednesday evening to answer to the charge of rolling a big iron disk down the hill from The Pines into the rear of the home of Andrew McKean. Aged from 7 to 13, the lads seemed to have but slight conception of the seriousness of their offense, but were scared all the same. Burgess Risbeck let them off with a severe reprimand. Last week the boys took an iron disk from the grating on the corner of Crest avenue and Fifth street and rolled it down the hill. It tore its way through a fence and grape arbor to lodge in the rear of the McKean dwelling leaving a hole two inches deep in the woodwork. The disk was two and a half feet in diameter and an inch thick, weighing more than an ordinary man would care to lift.

ALLEN TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT MADE

The triennial valuation returns for Allen township for the year 1912 have been filed in Washington by the assessors of the township. There are 413 taxables in the township, 41 more than were returned last year and the total valuation for county purposes is \$617,710. This is an increase of \$196,990 over the valuation returned by the triennial assessor in 1911.

According to the returns there are 48 horses in the township and 53 head of cattle, valued at \$2,825 and \$1,905 respectively. One hundred and sixty-three acres of coal lands valued at \$95,475 are returned. An increase of 15 acres is shown in the returns of this year over those of last year, and the valuation of the coal lands is increased \$50,375 over the assessment of a year ago. Cleared land to the number of 1,407 acres were returned, 15 acres less than were returned last year. This probably means the 15 acres lapsed back into barbarism and were unproductive.

The assessment on occupations this year was \$37,375 against \$34,100 a year ago, while the value of houses and lots this year was assessed at \$271,490, as against \$229,750 last year. The return shows that Allen township has declined agriculturally in the past year, but has made substantial gains industrially.

WEDDING TO TAKE PLACE TONIGHT

Miss Margaretta Christy to
Become Bride of Chaplain
David Fleming

In the Protestant Episcopal Church of The Ascension at Pittsburgh this evening at 8 o'clock, Miss Margaretta Melusina Christy of Charleroi will become the bride of the Rev. David L. Fleming, chaplain of the Second Cavalry, U. S. A., now stationed in Fort Bliss, Tex. The Rev. Dr. Robert Wadlington Grange, rector emeritus of Calvary Church will perform the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. Lucius W. Shey of Charleroi.

The bride, who will be given away by her brother-in-law, Richard Anderson Roberts of Charleroi, will wear a costume of French gray charmeuse trimmed with chiffon and silver cloth, and a large black hat trimmed with ostrich feathers. She will carry a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The matron of honor, Mrs. William H. Baltzell, a niece of the bride, will be attired in black velvet with touches of pink chiffon, and a black chapeau trimmed with white plumes. Dr. Richard K. Fleming will be his brother's best man, and four nephews, J. Christy Roberts of Charleroi; James Milnor Roberts, Thomas Paschall Roberts, Jr., and Richard K. Fleming, Jr., will be the ushers.

A small reception and wedding dinner will follow the ceremony in the home of Col. Thomas Paschall Roberts, in Aiken avenue. A color scheme of pink will prevail in the drawing and living rooms, and in the dining room narcissi, stevia, roses, and groups of palms and ferns will be used. Chaplain Fleming is a son of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Fleming of Pioneer avenue, Brookline and recently returned from the Philippine Islands. At the end of a honeymoon trip, Chaplain and Mrs. Fleming will make their home at Fort Bliss, Tex.

Magazines for Xmas.
We will send the Cosmopolitan and Delineator for one year to one or two addresses for \$2.30. Might's Book Store.

Soccer Football.

The strong Beadling team will play at Dunlevy Saturday and a good game is expected. Beadling team has not lost a game away from home this season and Dunlevy has not lost a game at home. This is expected to be the best game of the season. 120-42

POSTOFFICE SWAMPED BY THE HOLIDAY TRADE

New Church
The Desire

Laboratory People Asking
Presbytery to Establish
Denomination

Church people to the number of 94 persons living in the vicinity of Laboratory, near the county seat, have petitioned the Washington Presbyterian to organize a Presbyterian church at Laboratory. The petition was presented at a meeting of the presbytery at Roscoe Tuesday.

LOCAL MEN IN TRADE

Bert Humphries and
Kinsely With Chicago
Nationals

TINKER GOES TO CINC

The long expected trade to make shortstop Joe Tinker of the Chicago National league club, manager of the Cincinnati team, was effected late Wednesday at the close of the National league's annual meeting.

By the deal, as finally effected, Chicago gives Tinker, Catcher Chapman and Pitcher Lauder milk to Cincinnati in exchange for Pitcher Humphries, shortstop Corriden, outfielders Mitchell and Knisely and infielder Arthur P. Phelan. With Corriden secured by Cincinnati from Detroit to figure in the trade the way seems clear for carrying out the plan for Frank Chance, through the medium of a Cincinnati-Detroit exchange to enter the American league and become manager of the New York American league team.

It was also announced that Boston had sold shortstop Bridewell to Chicago.

Both Humphries and Knisely formerly played with Charleroi. Humphries lives at California and Knisely at Rices Landing.

Christmas Bazar.

The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold their Christmas Bazaar and Food Sale Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14 in the Vetter building, McKean avenue, next to Schafer's jewelry store. You will find all kinds of fancy and domestic articles suitable for Christmas gifts. Come and buy our genuine English plum puddings for 50 cents. Sandwiches and coffee will also be served. 118-13

Notice.

Riggs and Stech, the most up-to-date Shoe Store in the valley will give to each and every new born baby, a pair of soft sole shoes. Call at our store and make your selection. 115-41

Postmaster McCordle
Applies for Addition-
al Help

ASKS ANOTHER CARRIER

Unable Under Present Circumstances to Get Afternoon Mail Out Promptly

Postmaster J. E. McCordle has made application to the postoffice officials at Washington D. C. for additional help during the holidays. His request is for a clerk and a carrier. With the first of the year Postmaster McCordle hopes to secure a regular additional carrier. In fact with the putting into effect the parcels post law it will be absolutely necessary that he have the services of an extra man.

So great is the bulk of mail matter now that it is practically impossible, Postmaster McCordle says, for the force to handle it. Mail received on the 3 o'clock train—in fact from 3 o'clock on in the afternoon—is not delivered over the various routes until the following morning. This the postmaster states is due to the holiday rush.

The morning mail both north and south is the heaviest, as a matter of fact. This the carriers deliver during the morning and even have to spend a part of the afternoon on it. Noon mail arrives at such a time that the attention of the clerks and carriers is required to handle it late in the afternoon, leaving the after 3 o'clock mails to be sorted ready for delivery the first thing in the morning.

With an extra carrier, Postmaster McCordle is of the opinion that good holiday service can be maintained. Without extra help such service will be impossible. He will make an effort to secure two additional carriers for six days during the busiest season.

COULD FURNISH A REGIMENT HERE

Should Capt. Richmond Hobson's annual war scare be founded upon fact and should the United States be called upon to fight any one of the several nations, Charleroi could supply one good sized regiment and have enough men left to form a company, all necessary officers being included.

According to the military enrollment taken in his assessment by Assessor J. L. Reeves, there are about 1,100 men in Charleroi, who could be called upon to perform military duty. This is an increase of about 100 men from the figures taken last year.

It takes under the old military law approximately 1,000 men to form a regiment and 100 men to form a company.

J. K. Tenor, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Ruel, Cashier.

Talent and Habit

Some men have a talent for one kind of work; some are gifted in another; but most everyone can acquire the good habit of saving, by economy and prompt deposits in the Bank. So your financial progress.

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Wagons 75c to \$1.50.
Sleds 25c to \$1.00.
Post Card Machines \$1 to \$7.50.
Snow Skates, pair 25c.
Roller Skates, pair 50c.
Air Guns 50c to \$1.
Boxing Gloves \$1.50.
Sand Hoisting Machine 50c.
Steam Engines \$1 up.
Sewing Machines 50c to \$1.
Magic Lanterns 50c up.

WHAT GIRLS LIKE.

Dolls, Dressed 25c to \$2.50.
Doll Buggies all prices.
Play Tables 25c to \$1.
Sewing Machines 50c to \$1.
Blackboards \$1 to \$2.
Rocking Chairs 25c up.
Toy Dishes 25c to \$1.50.
Doll House 25c to \$1.50.
Toy Groceries \$1 to \$2.
Washing Outfits 25c up.
Work Boxes 25c and 50c.
Books of all kinds.
Toy Furniture 10c to \$1.

Why Not Books for Xmas?

MIGHT'S BOOK AND TOY STORE

THE GIFT FOR YOU AND YOURS

If you would be best served and well pleased with your holiday purchases you will come in at once, as every advantage goes with early selections.

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Manufacturing Jeweler

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in settlement of estates, public sales,
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creditors, 10 cents per line, first inser-
tion, 5 cents a line each additional in-
sertion.

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IT COSTS TOO MUCH.

The Baroness Bertha von Suttner,
in an address in the interest of uni-
versal peace at Brooklyn recently,
stated that with woman suffrage the
world over, wars and military armam-
ent would be abolished throughout
civilization. The thrifty housewife,
the Baroness said, would never con-
sent to the expenditure of 66 cents out
of every dollar of the family in-
come just for the employment of a
watchdog.

This is in effect what the European
nations are expending. The prepara-
tion for war costs too much. Battle-
ships that cost from five to eight
million dollars to construct go out
of style and are relegated to the
scrap heap with the same facility as
women's millinery. Every so often
our own military board takes a notion
to change the style of army rifle, and
guns that cost the government \$18
to manufacture are sold at retail in
department stores for \$1.50. The
cost of a single battleship would build
a town the size of Charleroi, pave all
the streets, install water works and
sewers, and provide better housing
conditions than the town now has.

It costs the people of the United
States in round numbers \$225,000,
000 a year for its military and naval
armament, and then, we are told we
have nothing to brag of, as military
armament goes. Our navy is fair,
but so far as our army goes we do
not rank with Bulgaria, a comi-
opera kingdom, in point of military
effectiveness. With all this huge ex-
penditure, we are told by military
sharps that we are unprepared to put
up a fight on land in case of attack.
So, what's the use? Instead of
building battleships, let us build
houses for the people. Instead of ap-
propriating money to kill people, let
us appropriate money to help them to
live. The world is progressing, and
the medieval theory of military
 prowess is the thing that should go
to the scrap heap. Sixty-six cents
out of every dollar of income is too
much money to pay for a watch dog
that does not watch.

WELCOME INTELLIGENCE.

The announcement that O. Evans
Mikesell, county sealer of weights
and measures, interprets the law to
include inspection of meters, as well
as weights and measures, is a most
welcome one to the public. The con-

Our Moving Picture Show



From a blacksmith he became a steel king
He had everything money could bring;
Then his clerks he did call,
Gave a million to all,
People said he did just the right thing.

Watch this space tomorrow

PICKED UP IN PASSING

sumer of a product now measured by
a meter will feel that he has some
redress in case of a dispute, and the
fact that he does not have to submit
to the arbitrary dictates of the cor-
poration agent gives a sense of se-
curity that did not otherwise prevail.
It is now doubtful whether or not a
water company can compel a con-
sumer to pay for the meter that is
used to measure the product sold,
any more than a grocer can compel
his patrons to furnish the scales for
the groceries the latter may buy. If
the law places the inspection of the
meters under the jurisdiction of the
county sealer, it is certainly up to
the water company to furnish a cor-
rect measure for the product it sells,
the same as a grocer, a butcher or
any other kind of dealer that sells by
weight or measure. The regulation
of the water company compelling the
consumer to buy a meter from the
company at the latter's own price and
pay for its inspection should be test-
ed at once.

With a good public utilities com-
mission law in effect, the consumer
will be fairly well protected. If
County Sealer Mikesell's interpreta-
tion of the law is correct that meter
inspection comes within his jurisdic-
tion, and it is presumed that he has
had good counsel on the question, a
new aspect is given the meter ques-
tion. An effective public utilities law
will make the corporations play fair,
and some of the heavy burdens that
have been imposed on the public can
be removed.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Prudent Jennie.
A modest young maiden named Jen-
nie,
Steered clear of all the young men;
When asked why so shy
She'd naively reply,
"I don't care for a gentleman frenchie."

Over in Canonsburg they are go-
ing to have pantomime of "Hiawatha"
with Indian music. Which is to be
the pantomime, music or "Hiawatha?"

A preacher in a Washington county
town is happy with the name Bible.
It ought to fit.

A Philadelphia clergyman left a
fortune of about \$500,000 when he
died. And yet they say the ministry
is not a lucrative profession.

Some men have so much to think
about they don't have time to work.
Who ever would have thought that
yesterday could have pulled off a
century record?

One thing about Billy Sunday he
doesn't need to use red ink to get at-
tention.

The trouble about revising the tar-
iff is that people always want to
know either when are the revisers
going to begin or when they are go-
ing to quit.

The Chicago News remarks that
Mr. Wilson seems to be one of those
old fashioned men who prefer to sit
for their pictures.

A newspaper doesn't need to tell
the folks this time of year they have
a chance to play Santa. They know
it too well already.

Not a very great increase in the
Sunday School attendance has been
reported yet.

Washington county might easily
claim relationship to the President-
elect. It has a town named Woodrow.

"I was down in Pittsburg the other
day," said a Charleroi citizen, "and
noticed a store where United States
Army and Navy supplies were offer-
ed for sale, I dropped in. The place
resembled a huge dry goods and
men's clothing store. It had tables
and shelves piled high with blankets,
men's military overcoats, blouses,
trousers, some in wool, some in
kaki, some in white canvas, shoes,
shirts, hats and underwear. Some of
this was second hand, but the most
of it was absolutely new.
"Where do you get this stuff?" I
asked of an attendant.
"Buy it at auction," was the reply.
"But why is it sold?" I inquired.
"The most of it is perfectly new and
unused."
"Oh, the styles change," was the
reply. "The army board meets and
ordains that new styles shall be
adopted, and then all that is on hand
of the old stuff is put up at auction
and knocked down to the highest bid-
der."

A glance around that store re-
vealed the wastefulness of the opera-
tion. I could readily see how it might
be at times advisable to change the
arms and outside uniforms of soldiers,
but for the life of me I can't see how
a change in style should condemn im-
mense stores of underclothing, blank-
ets, socks and shoes, all of which are
made of the very best material, and
produces with the highest paid wages.
This stuff was being bought with
avidity by working people, as it was
being sold for much less than the
same quality of goods could be
bought for at the regular stores.

"It seems to me that the army and
navy boards of this country need a
practical business manager."

"Down at Monongahela is a four-
year-old young hopeful, who says his
prayers every night at his mother's
knee before going to bed. Recently
two of the aunts of the lad went
south, as one of them was in poor
health. The night after they took
their departure his mother told the
boy to say a prayer for his aunts,
in addition to his regular one.

"How shall I do it?" asked the
lad.

"Oh, just ask God to take care of
and bless Auntie Ray and Auntie
Alice," replied the mother.

The boy made the additions to his
prayer with promptings by his moth-
er, and when he was through he ex-
claimed:

"Oh, mamma, didn't that two new
items?"



GET THEM AT
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from above for several days, covering
the earth to a depth of many feet. In
fact, they claim that the great desert
did not exist prior to the time when
this great shower of aerolites came. In
Jehkyn's "Trip to Ye Burning Sandes
of Atrick" the following is told under
the head "Another of God's Wonders."
"Moreover, the natives of these parts
say that it once rained small stones
and sandes for a period of eleven days
and nights. Much fertile land and
many towns and thousands of animals
and human beings were thus buried
up."

A Garrick Trick.

One of the best of the stories that
have been preserved relating to David
Garrick's remarkable faculty for im-
personation is that one about a holiday
that he and the French comedian Fre-
ville had when the English Roscius
was visiting in Paris.

One morning Garrick and his French
colleague were waiting in a diligence
to start for Versailles. The driver re-
fused to budge until at least four pas-
sengers would undertake the trip. Gar-
rick jumped out and, changing his gait
and voice, hailed the coachman on the
box and got in again. He repeated the
trick three times, each time with a
different voice and appearance. The
driver, thinking he was now "full in-
side," joyfully cracked his whip and
galloped away with the two actors for
his only passengers.

Deceptive.

A lanky country youth entered the
crossroads general store to order some
groceries. He was seventeen years old
and was passing through that stage of
adolescence during which a boy seems
all hands and feet and his vocal or-
gans, rapidly developing, are wout to
cause his voice to undergo sudden and
involuntary changes from high treble
to low bass.

In an authoritative rumbling bass
voice he demanded of the busy clerk,
"Give me a can of corn" (then, his
voice suddenly changing to a shrill
falsetto, he continued) "and a sack of
flour."

"Well, don't be in a hurry. I can't
wait on both of you at once," snapped
the clerk. "Everybody's."

A Compliment.

"What did he say when you told him
he was the worst liar you ever knew?"
"He merely remarked that he had
been flattered before."—St. Louis Post-
Dispatch.

Hard Luck.

Mrs. Hatterson—What! You've had
fourteen cooks in three months? Mrs.
Catterson—Yes, and I didn't please any
of them.—Life.

Never yet was the voice of conscience
silenced without retribution.—Jameson.

Merry
Christmas

Why--Not--Let--That

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Pianos
Player Pianos
Dressing Tables
Ladies Desks
Chiffoniers
Dressers
Iron Beds
Stoves
Carpets
Rugs
Lace Curtains
Portiers
Chest Cabinets
Bureaus
Serving Trays
Pictures
Cut Glass and Vases
Dinner Sets
Fireless Cookers
Vacuum Sweepers
Shirtwaist Boxes
Umbrella Stands
Morris Chairs and
Rockers
Library Lamps
Gas and Electric
Domes
Mission Waste Paper
Baskets
Cushions
Piano Benches
Turkish Rockers

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Doll Tables

MAN'S ARTERIES.

And Some of the Causes That Tend to Make Them Harder.

"A man is as old as his arteries" is a common saying among physicians, which has come to be taken up by their patients. Dr. Herbert C. Clapp of Boston in the New York Medical Record comes forward with an article declaring that worry is a common cause of arteriosclerosis, the hardening of the arteries is not infrequently considered as one of the customary and proper accompaniments of a ripe old age—sometimes even of middle life—it is not universally so and that even at four-score years, as proved by autopsies, the arteries have been found to be perfectly sound. He cites the case of the champion old man, Thomas Parr of England, who died at the advanced age of 152 and whose arteries were found by Harvey—who discovered the circulation of the blood—on examination after death to be perfectly sound.

Dr. Clapp says that within certain limits the arteries do not harden because they are old, but are old because they are diseased. Among causes for arteriosclerosis he gives overeating, excessive muscular strain and excessive brain work. Worry produces functional disturbances and undue blood pressure. This brings with it arteriosclerosis. He holds that most worries are induced in without an adequate reason, therefore, and cites the following quotation: "I am an old man and have had many troubles, but most of them never happened."

POPPING CORN.

Why the Heat Literally Turns the Grains Inside Out.

A grain of popcorn is filled with tightly packed starch grains. The interior of the grain is divided into a large number of cells, each of which may be likened to a tiny box, the walls of which are sufficiently strong to withstand considerable pressure from within. Upon the application of heat the moisture present in each little box is converted into steam that finally escapes by explosion.

To obtain a satisfactory popping there is required a very high degree of heat. This causes the greater part of the cells to explode simultaneously. The grain of corn then literally turns inside out and is transformed into a relatively large mass of snow white starch.

If corn be old and dry it will not pop satisfactorily. A few cells near the center of the grain may burst, but the general result will be unsatisfactory. At the base of the kernels, where they are attached to the cob, the cells appear to be dried, and it has been observed that these cells are seldom broken in the popping.

Practically all the popcorn raised for market in this country comes from New England. Great quantities of it are popped, buttered and packed for sale all over the United States.—Harper's Weekly.

An Offer Declined.

Dr. Portal, the favorite medical attendant of Louis XVIII of France, was offered an unusual reward for his services. Having cured Vestrin of a severe illness, the famous dancing master said to him: "My dear doctor, I should never dream of offering you money. Between artists there can be no dealings except those of gratitude. To demonstrate mine, I will give you a valuable hint as to your department. I have often noticed that you have a most ungraceful way of carrying your self. I can remedy that in a few lessons and teach you how to enter a sick room in such a way as to please the most exacting patient. We can begin now if you like." Much to the amazement of Vestrin, Portal declined this offer and so lost the esteem of his illustrious patient.

Top Buttonhole of a Coat.

The buttonhole in one's coat does not owe its origin to the once universally worn bowler, but to our ancestors' habit of buttoning their coats right up to the neck. Fashion changed, the coat was turned back, forming what the tailor calls the "lapel," and the buttonhole was utilized for the flower, which old portraits tell us was before this time tucked into the waistcoat near the waist, or if a belt were worn, in the belt. The primitive use of the buttonhole is still seen in the overcoat, which has a companion button on the other side for use in rough weather.—London Chronicle

Plaster Casts.

Those who have plaster casts that they wish to preserve may protect them from dust by brushing them with a preparation of white wax and white soap half a teaspoonful of each boiled with a quart of rain or other soft water. Use when cold, and when they are dried the casts may be wiped with a damp cloth without injury. To harden casts brush with a strong solution of alum water and brush with white wax dissolved in turpentine. Put the cast in a warm place to dry after using the latter and it will have a look not unlike that of old ivory.

Had to Creep.

"Why do you say 'A bluish creep' over the face of the fair plaintiff?" asks the editor. "Because," explains the society editor, "there was so much powder on her face the bluish had to creep or else it would raise too much dust!"

The Clever Ones.

Griggs—Some men are born great, others achieve greatness. Briggs—Yes; and others simply have the trick of making other people think they're great.

AMONG THE THEATRES

THE PALACE—CHARLEROI.

With a big four-reel special, "In the Last Hour," and its famous orchestra, the Palace Theatre inaugurated the present week. This feature was a thrilling human interest drama, in which two loving young hearts that had been separated were united at the last hour, and the wedding ceremony performed just as the spirit of life deserted the pain wrecked body of the bride. A notable picture of the week was a travel film, showing "Fair Ceylon's Isle," together with scenes of the Devil Dancers and other sports of the natives. "The Stroke Oar," was a college play full of spirit and humor, in which the regatta is won by the college eight amid exciting circumstances. "The Mayor From Ireland," was a pretty Irish drama that had its beginning in the Emerald Isle and ends in America. "The Pathe Weekly" had its usual quota of pictorial events that are in the world's eye. Other strong films were "Western Girls," "The Mantle of Red Evans," and "The Dawning." The latter was a two reel Vitagraph, that was a beautiful drama in social life in which a mismatched wife learns to appreciate her husband, which is "The Dawning." The week closes with a strong program, supplemented by the music of the famous orchestra.

THE COYLE—CHARLEROI.

One of the greatest motion pictures ever shown at the Coyle Theatre was "Oliver Twist," presented by Nat Goodwin's famous company with Nat Goodwin himself featuring Fagin the Jew. This great film occupied the screen both Wednesday and Thursday a review of which has already been given. Other notable photoplays of the week were "The Open Road," a delightful rural picture staged amid the scenery beauty of Block Island. "Her Yesterday," was a pathetic drama, in which a wayward woman realized the shame of the life she led when it was too late. In these times of sociological uplift the picture told a pathetic tale of the lack of human sympathy and aid for the fallen. "The Debt," in two reels, was a topline thriller, in which a railroad wreck furnishes the chief thrill of the story. "A Fight for Friendship," "One of the Bravest," "Shanghaied Cowboys," and others were leading films of the week. "The Half Breed Scout," in two reels is one of the closing films Saturday. Manager R. S. Coyle, announces the engagement of a big feature film for Tuesday, Mrs. Sara Bernhardt in "Queen Elizabeth" in four reels.

THE STAR—CHARLEROI.

With a couple of two reel picture and some that were double, that is, two pictures on one reel, the Star Theatre had a varied and interesting repertoire this week. "Put Yourself in His Place" and "The Men Who Dare" were the two reels, each of which was a striking picture. The former was a dramatization of Charles Reade's famous novel of that name. It was an exceedingly strong offering. "The Men Who Dare" is a prison story of a physician who dared to break the system in treating convicts and to inject humanity into the process. "Chiquita the Dancer" was the typical story of a western melodrama, and deals with rough people and their rough doings. It is full of action and entertainments. Other strong photoplays and dramas were "A Brother's Requital," "Capit's Lottery," "The Bolivian Army," "A Tempest in a Teapot," and others. As a special feature Wednesday night Manager Cowan presented Lenneta and her monster living snake, which weighs 215 pounds and is 15 feet long. A good bill is on for the end of the week.

THE ALVIN—PITTSBURG.

"The Bird of Paradise" Richard Walton Tully's play of Hawaiian life which Oliver Morosco will present at the Alvin Theatre, Pittsburgh, next week is claimed to be the greatest folk-play which local players have had an opportunity of witnessing for a number of years. Besides being the first local presentation of this play in Pittsburgh it is the first of the Oliver Morosco productions to be seen in Pittsburgh. Mr. Morosco is a Los Angeles producer and is as well known in the west as Henry W. Savage or Charles Frohman in the east.

Tully has succeeded in transferring with photographic fidelity in "The Bird of Paradise" the spell of Old Hawaii to the stage. He knows well the land that is drenched in eternal sunshine, steeped in the primitive superstition, redolent with romance, wreathed in the abounding flowers, tuneful with the haunting melody and terrible with the gaunt tragedy of Old Hawaii, still "The Paradise of the Pacific" but now a beautiful part of

America. Bessie Barriscale will be seen in the role of Luana. Guy Bates Post, Lewis S. Stone and Margaret Langham are seen in leading roles.

THE GRAND—PITTSBURG.

The ninth week of the of the winter season of superlative vaudeville in the Grand begins Monday afternoon, December 16, with a program of fine acts representative of practically every civilized country on the globe. An attraction which will be of especial interest to the Pittsburghers is the production by the Providence Players of Frank Wyatt's sparkling little comedy entitled "Who is Brown?" This comedy in one act will bring to the city, a favorite actor formerly of the Harry Davis Stock Players, Mr. Ralph Remley, who, in the role of Brown, is imparting to the sketch qualities of spontaneous humor and redundant wit. The other players are Mr. Lynne Overman, a handsome young leading man; Miss Eleanor McEwan, a gifted and pretty leading woman; Mr. Walter Seymour, and excellent light comedian; Miss Lora Rogers, a capable character comedienne and Mr. Ralph Taylor, a young player who has passed the promise stage.

Law Hawkins, the Chesterfield of minstrelsy is coming with new songs and pertinent stories. Hawkins' clever and original work with the foremost burnt cork organizations in America have won him a lasting popularity. The Brothers Jonley make their debut in a most remarkable balancing act. They are French equilibrist of the most daring sort and in a series of physical accomplishments thrill the spectators as they have not been thrilled by any other athletes. Miller and Mack, two genteel young men, will provide Terpsichorean diversions of the classic kind. In addition to a great variety of other specialties, Mr. Davis announces that the Kinemacolor moving pictures will be retained next week. These pictures have enthused Grand patrons this week. Nothing so beautiful has ever been offered in a vaudeville show before. A complete change of subjects is scheduled for the forthcoming week.

The Scorpion of Ceylon.

A more disagreeable object than a scorpion of Ceylon it would be difficult to imagine. Although, as a rule, it does not measure more than seven inches in length, there is a species found in the woods that are longer than a foot. They crawl out of some dried wood and taking up their position on a convenient rock or stone, look as they hold their great jointed sting curved over their backs and their claws held aloft, the very picture of aggressive warfare. Here they stretch themselves in the broiling sun and await their prey. These are the small, beautiful honeybirds that dart from flower to flower and take the place of the humming birds of the east. As one approaches the scorpion seems to shrink into the stone until it becomes almost imperceptible. Suddenly the great insect will raise its claws and dart at its beautiful victim, which in a moment is destroyed.

Reason For It.

At a debating society some time ago the Irish question was discussed. An English doctor was sustaining the argument that the Irish were naturally a race with right sentiments, but poorly developed. At Liverpool, he said, he had 300 Irish patients on his books and of these only thirty paid him for attendance.

"Sorr," said an Irishman, who rose with flushed cheek to defend his countrymen. "Sorr, there is never an effect without a cause. There is never a phenomenon that does not admit of an explanation. How can we explain the astounding phenomenon to which the doctor has called our attention? He finds an explanation in the natural depravity of the Irish nature. I, sorr, have another explanation to give, and it is this: the thirty patients recovered!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Curious Night Wells.

A curious form of water hole is found in the desert of Western Australia, dry by day, but yielding an abundant supply of water by night. The flow of water is preceded by hissings and sounds of rushing air. The phenomenon is discussed by Dr. Malcolm MacLaren, who has located and examined one of these wells. He found that the water supply occurred in a long narrow trench, at the bottom of which was a thin plate of gypsum, separated by a cavity from the main rock mass beneath. Apparently the heat of the day causes this plate to expand in the form of a depression, into which the water retreats. When it cools and contracts at night it forces first air and then water back into the trench.—Scientific American.

Her Fighting Clothes.

A certain matron alludes to a certain gown of hers as her "quarrel dress." "I always wear it," she explains, "when I have had a quarrel with my husband." "But why do you call it a quarrel dress?" "Because it is the only gown I have that I don't button in the back. I can't button it, I don't have to, only on the old gown. It helps me!"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

TROUBLES OF THE EAR.

Many of Them Are Caused by Abuses of Some Kind.

The best way to care for the ear is to study the things not to do. It is one of the most independent of organs, knowing very well how to take care of itself. If it is duly respected little trouble or none will result. In cases where something unforeseen goes wrong a physician should be consulted at once.

Almost all troubles of the ear are due to abuses of some kind. The wax seems to worry a great many people, and in their concern they usually manage to seriously interfere with its functions. In the healthy ear the wax, or cerumen, is a thin yellowish fluid that thickens into a paste as it dries. Nature provides for its natural exit from the ear passage by uniting it with the tiny flakes of dead skin which fall outward unnoticed either by seeing or feeling. Thus wax does not accumulate in a healthy ear, which has just enough to make sticky the stiff little hairs that grow in the passage.

Instruments should never be poked into the ear by the inexperienced nor wads of material continually mopped and squeezed into the opening for cleansing. Usually such treatment induces an increase of wax. Hot water is the best solvent for wax, 105 to 115 degrees F. If the need of it is imperative gently syringe the ear with it. Cotton plugs in the ear are useful at times, but should be used no more than absolutely necessary, for they obstruct the canal and interfere with the natural way of casting off wax.—Exchange

THE SUN AS AN ARTIST.

Discovery Upon Which Turn All the Wonders of Photography.

There is a wide variety in the pace at which the sun can give a color or change it. A winter apple may be a month in reaching its ripeness, a peach may take only one week to flush into its mantle of maturity, but the most nimble work of the solar ray in its decoration of fruit and flower is not to be compared with what it accomplishes in other departments. When its power was brought to bear upon some familiar chemicals it was found that its action was reduced from days to seconds.

Upon this discovery turn all the wonders of photography. At first silver nitrate—or lunar caustic, as it was commonly called—was used in the camera. From time to time other substances of greater and greater sensitiveness to light have been produced, every one of them successively giving the solar beam a wider play and more astonishing power.

Today, with the exposure of a photographic plate, not only are the beatings of an insect's wings caught in the camera, but also the path of a cannonball the skyward flight of exploded rock and the stupor giant of lightning—Chicago Record Herald

Laugh and Live Long.

It has been aptly said that there is not the remotest corner of the inlet of the minute blood vessels of the human body that does not feel some wavelet from the convulsions occasioned by good hearty laughter. The life principle of the central man is shaken to its innermost depths, sending new tides of life and strength to the surface, thus materially tending to insure good health to the persons who indulge therein. The blood moves more rapidly and conveys a different impression to all the organs of the body as it visits them on that particular mystic journey when the man is laughing from that conveyed at other times. For this reason every good, hearty laugh in which a person indulges tends to lengthen his life, conveying as it does new and distinct stimulus to the vital forces.

What Wellington Was Doing.

When Sir John Stodd, the sculptor, had the Duke sitting for a statue he tried to induce him to look warlike. All his efforts were in vain, however, for Wellington seemed, judging by his face, never to have heard of Waterloo or Trafalgar. At last Sir John lost his patience. "As I am going to make this statue of your grace," he exclaimed, "can you not tell me what you were doing before you, the battle of Salamanca? Were you not galloping about the field cheering on your men to deeds of valor by words and action?"

"Bab!" said the duke in evident scorn. "If you really want to make me as I was on the morning of Salamanca, then do me crawling along a ditch on my stomach with a telescope in my hand!"

Sus' Fervor.

"Well, brother," said the deacon, "that was a fine 'ser you made last night."

"Thank you, deacon. I am very glad to hear you say so."

"Yes, it was a splendid prayer, long and fervent. And, say, what have you been doing anyway? You can confide in me with the utmost confidence. I wouldn't betray you for anything in the world!"—Chicago Record Herald.

Willing.

"Now," began the philosopher, "take the life of your neighbor, for instance, life."

"I'd do it in a minute," interrupted the practical man, "if the law would not interfere. He's learning to play the cornet."

Chocolate.

Do not take time to grate chocolate. Put the desired amount in a saucer and place over the top of a teakettle until melted.

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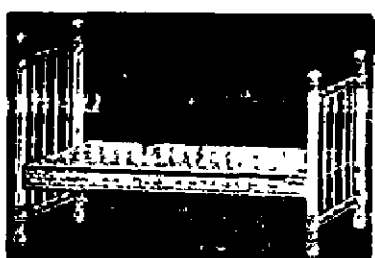
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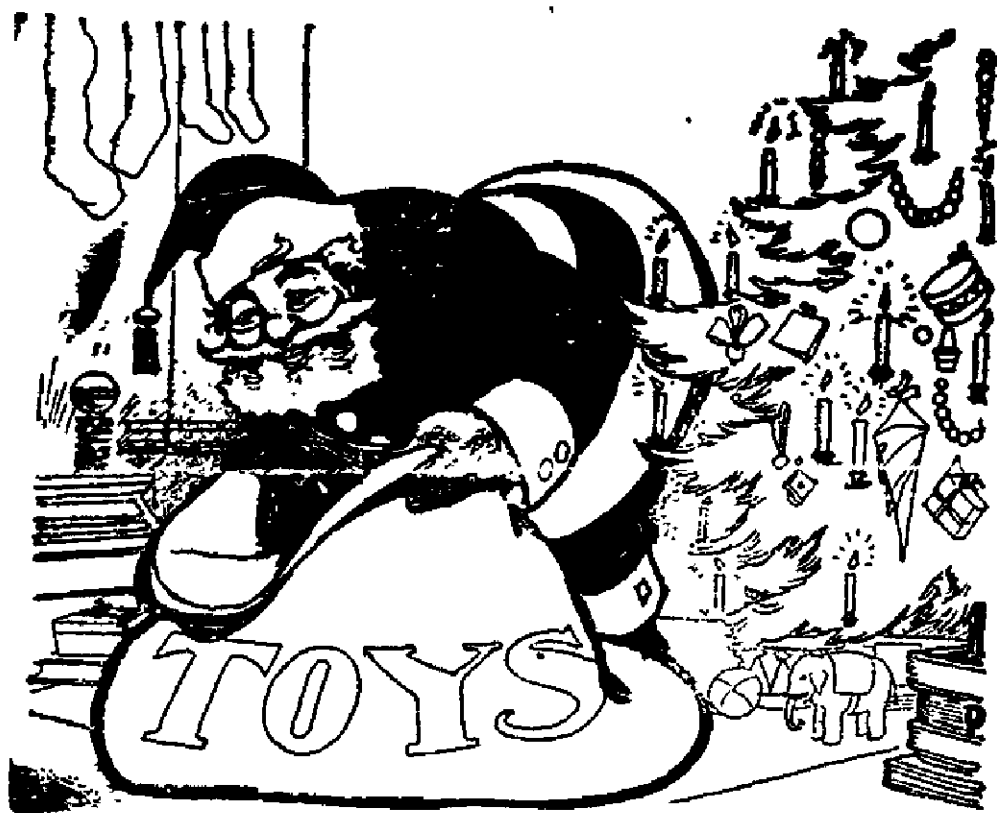
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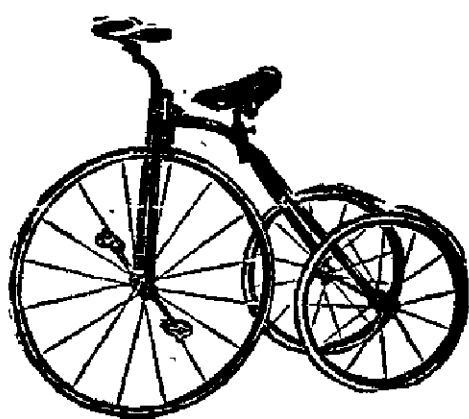
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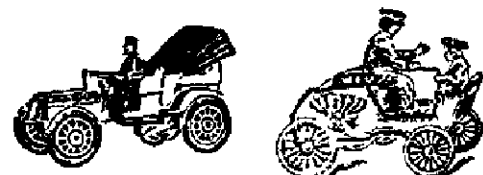
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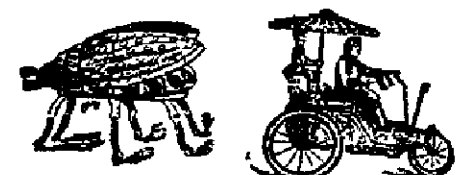
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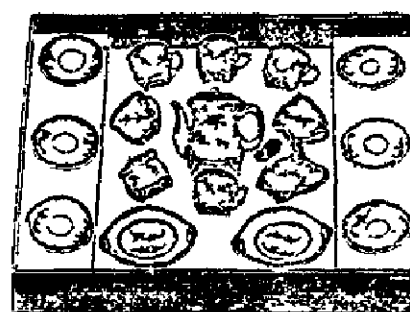
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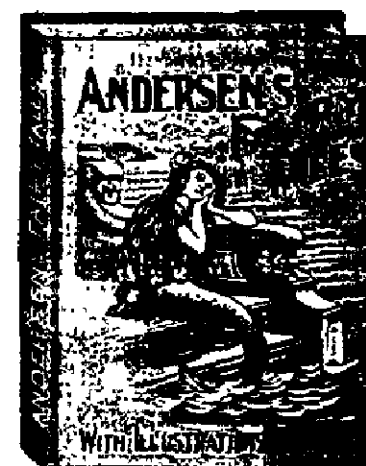


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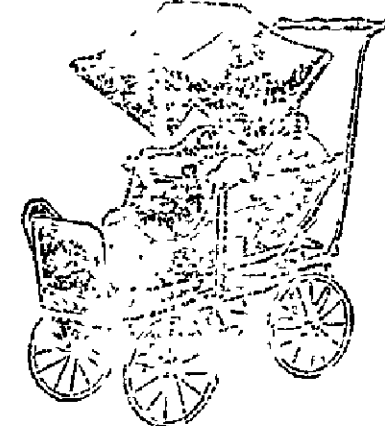
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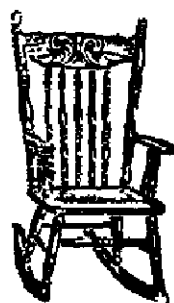
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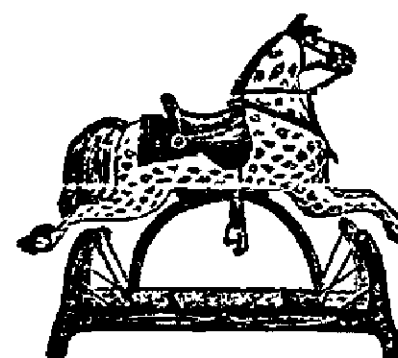


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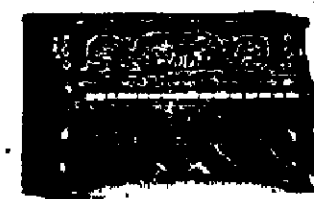
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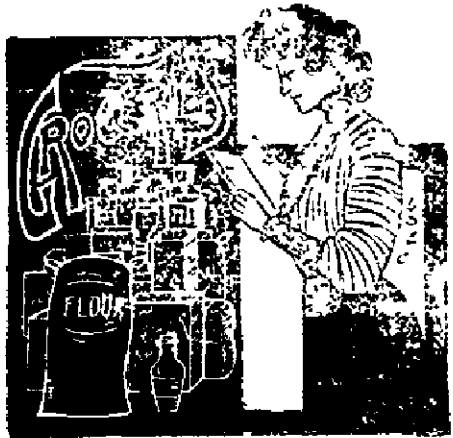
The argument against woman suf-
 frage that woman's place is in the
 home and that she is not to take part
 in public affairs, is but a continua-
 tion of the effort to keep woman en-
 slaved and degraded. It is because
 woman has stuck to the home and
 not asserted her rights that the awful
 conditions of white slavery exist, and
 it is man that has constituted this
 slavery and perpetuated it. Now,
 that woman is showing up the evils,
 the whole civilized world is horrified
 at the disclosures. As a matter of
 fact conditions everywhere are not
 nearly so bad since the women have
 taken a hand in fighting the wrongs
 of their sisters, and it is con-
 stantly growing better. Only when
 women in every part of the civilized
 world have the right of suffrage, will
 the problem be solved as completely
 as it is possible for any human ques-
 tion to be settled.

Starting with the dawn of civiliza-
 tion, when woman was regarded as
 but a chattel, the depravity of man
 has enslaved her in the infernal
 vice. If the world is horrified now
 with the condition of slaves that are
 just now being made ready for in-
 first time, what about conditions in
 the past, when man's control was su-
 preme and he had full political sway?
 Conditions for centuries were kept
 under cover by the women. The
 was concerned and man traded in
 a great deal of political power through
 its means. The woman, such in its
 trails. It is the woman who has
 men are getting active and that the
 problem is receiving the thought and
 solution of the people of the
 country. Jane Addams has done
 much for the woman. The
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Watch this space tomorrow

in the uplift of humanity—is delayed
 and hampered because men still want
 to use vice as a commercial and po-
 litical asset. It is one of the great
 economic problems of the day and
 it can only be solved when the sex
 that it is most concerned has an equal
 voice in the politics that uses vice to
 further its ends and perpetuates its
 power. The barbarians made slaves
 and chattels of their women; the
 Christian nations have made some
 progress in ameliorating woman's
 physical conditions, but they have
 not reached the stage where a woman
 is considered a complete human
 being with all the rights and privi-
 leges that humanity is supposed to
 enjoy.

BUSTING THE EGG TRUST.

By co-operation and combination,
 the Housekeepers' League of Phila-
 delphia, an organization of women
 whose sphere of operation is along
 the same lines as the Charleroi mar-
 keting club, has engaged in a cam-
 paign to "bust" the egg trust of that
 city. It is learned that the cold
 storage people have immense stocks
 of eggs on hand which they are hold-
 ing for high prices. When the retail
 prices of eggs soared up to 49 cents
 a dozen, the women got busy. There are
 400 or more in the organization, and
 they sent agents out into the country
 to purchase a supply. This was ac-
 complished, and distributing stations
 were selected at various parts of the
 city, and the League announced it
 would sell candied eggs for 24 cents
 a dozen. Wednesday was the first
 selling day, and 150,000 dozen were
 sold. The rush was so great that the
 candlers could not supply the demand
 the first day. By working nights the
 candlers hope to keep up with the
 demand.

This is one of the effectual ways of
 breaking the trust—that put up the
 prices of food products. In any large
 town a company of people could co-
 operate and for a small sum build a
 cold storage house that would meet
 the demands of the co-operators. By
 judicious buying and selling many of
 the staple products could be bought
 when cheap and stored for winter use.
 Apples, which are now selling at 10
 cents for 100, could be stored and per-
 haps have been bought for 5 cents
 a hundred. The same thing could be
 done with other products. The
 and the danger is that the man who
 has the power will not let the women
 in. The women are the only ones
 who can save the world. The
 men are getting active and that the
 problem is receiving the thought and
 solution of the people of the
 country. Jane Addams has done
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 ving the world to the man.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Wonder how the telephone com-
 munication system works?

A certain letter didn't arrive for a
 business man and he lost \$1,000. Look
 what letters will do.

Had you told the American five
 years ago that within that and one
 more year he could be sending a live
 chicken by mail he would have insisted
 that your place was in the Walke
 house.

When a man attempts to be funny
 by addressing a group as gentlemen
 of the jury he is paying himself the

compliment that he never was in a
 position to be addressed as one of
 such.

Not Scared; Only Sensible.
 Sarcastic was beautiful Stella
 Who thought she was loved by a fel-
 lah
 He didn't propose
 She called him morose,
 Then stated she thought he was yel-
 lah.

It will supposedly be necessary for
 the imagined bridge at the alleged
 town of Brownsville to be they say
 rebuilt it is understood according to
 the it is stated plans of a certain
 averted coal exchange.

Every poem has at least one reader.
 Sometimes it is the writer himself.

A person would have thought that
 all the sensationists would have
 gone to the seashore Monday to par-
 ticipate in the annual winter bathing.
 Why should Walter Camp's selec-
 tion of All American football players
 be any better than any other fellows.
 Personally our pick is the team that
 will play at Charleroi on Saturday.

A correspondent wishes to know
 how to straighten an ostrich plume.
 Bury it.

Some of these cold storage eggs
 should be given a place in the Wash-
 ington County Historical room.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

In the midst of foreigners, the
 making of American citizens from the
 material at hand is perplexing state,
 school and church just now. Honore
 Willsie, in Solter's is treating the
 subject in a series of articles. His
 inquiry into all sorts and conditions
 of foreigners contains much that is
 practical for people in Fayette coun-
 ty, says the Umertown Herald. Some
 of his material is "wisdom from the
 mouths of babes." The extract given
 here shows something of what a typi-
 cal American boy, whose ancestors
 fought in the Revolution think about
 the foreigners. To quote:

"What's your idea," asked Ames,
 "of a real American? What does he
 stand for in a general way?"

"Oh, he's a fellow who's born in
 this country. You can always tell
 an American boy because he's so
 much smarter than the foreigners."

"But what does it stand for?" per-
 sisted Ames. "What makes him smart-
 er than the foreigners?"

"Ah, he's born that way. Ameri-
 cans are the smartest people in the
 world. Look at all the old Ameri-
 cans there are."

Now look next Billy's. Ames,
 "What's your idea, an American boy
 to you and said, Billy, "What's
 this all about? American? What
 would you do to him?"

"Well, I'd give him a good
 whipping. I'd teach him a lesson,
 I'd make him a scholar. I'd
 make him a smart boy. I'd make
 him a real American. I'd make
 him a smart boy."

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 him a real American. I'd make
 him a smart boy."

That is the point. Teaching the
 foreign boy what he "couldn't learn
 in a school in a hundred years" and
 making him feel like making Ameri-
 ca a fine country to live in, is the
 difficult work that we are facing.

They Recover Quickly.
 The marriage of either the remar-
 riage statistics in the marriage of Paris
 lists of 2,270 disconsolate widowers
 14% remarried within a year. The de-
 fections increase with terrible rapidity
 in the second year, which sees 62% re-
 lapses from the ranks of mourners. At
 the end of the third year only thirty
 seven widowers remain. With the wid-
 ows it is even worse. None remarried
 within the first year of their husband's
 decease, but it is feared that this is due
 not to fidelity but to the strict legal
 veto which obtains in France. Once
 the law's delay is at an end they go off
 with vertiginous rapidity. Of 1,507
 weeping widows in eighteen months
 only four had not exchanged their
 weeds for wedding garments—Paris
 Cor London Telegraph

Norway's Sick Insurance Law
 Norway has a sick insurance law
 which embraces all wage earners and
 public servants over fifteen years of
 age whose yearly earnings do not ex-
 ceed \$322 in the rural districts or
 \$375 in the cities. The law also pro-
 vides that the employer shall pay a
 certain percentage (one-sixth) of the
 premium while he is held responsible
 for the whole, but may deduct from
 the wages of the insured at the end of
 the term for which the premium is
 paid the amount thus advanced. The-
 oretically it is self insurance on the
 contributive plan, while actually it
 amounts to an extra tax upon the em-
 ployer, as most employees stipulate
 when engaging their services that the
 insurance premium shall be paid in
 addition to the wages.

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Here is your last chance to see the brightest athletes of the year in action.
A REAL BIG COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME.

Remember the Date. December 14. 3:00 P. M.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSTITUTE COMPLETE

Sixty - Second Annual Meeting to Begin Next Monday

INSTRUCTORS ENGAGED

Some of the Best in Country to Appear—Local Superintendent Vice President

Details for the 62nd annual session of the Washington County Teachers' Institute, to be held at Washington next week have been completed and County Superintendent L. R. Crumrine states that the teachers are assured a high class institute, one that will be of great benefit to every teacher in the county. Mr. Crumrine has secured some of the most able instructors in the country and every line of school work will be touched upon during the week.

Sectional work, designed for the various grade teachers will be held in the morning, in the various rooms of the high school building. Topics of special importance to the primary, intermediate and high school teachers will be discussed at the sessions by the instructors.

The program for three entire week is an excellent one and one that is above the standard of former years.

Superintendent Crumrine will be assisted during the week by T. G. McCleary, superintendent of the Washington schools; Thos. L. Pollock, superintendent of the Charleroi schools, and R. G. Dean, superintendent of the Monongahela schools. These schools are outside the jurisdiction of the county superintendent but teachers of these three boroughs will be in attendance.

More tickets were ordered in advance this year than last season. The new school code makes it obligatory for the teachers to attend. Teachers were given the first opportunity to secure tickets but no more teachers' tickets will be sold until Monday morning.

Following are the instructors who will appear before the teachers next week:

Dr. J. D. Moffat, Washington; Dr. Henry R. Pattengill, Lansing, Mich.; Dr. E. B. Bryan, Hamilton, N. Y.; Dr. Jonathan Rigdon, Winona Lake, Ind.; Supt. W. M. Pierce, Ridgeway; Miss Beatrice Weller, New York; Prof. C. G. Prince, New York.

Music will be in charge of Prof. Burke of the Washington schools. Miss Norma Bosson of Charleroi, will play violin solos Thursday and Friday.

Soccer Football

The strong Beadling team will play at Dunlevy Saturday and a good game is expected. Beadling team has not lost a game away from home this season, and Dunlevy has not lost a game at home. This is expected to be the best game of the season. 120-12

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Vacation Now for Two Weeks

Schools Dismissed This Afternoon and Teachers Will Attend Institute

This afternoon the Charleroi schools will close for their annual two weeks' holiday vacation. On Monday about 35 of the teachers will go to Washington to attend the sessions of the annual county institute. The following week a number of the faculty will make a trip to Harrisburg to attend the annual meeting of the State Educational Association.

OPTION BILL TO BE A GO

That is Opinion of Anti-Saloon Worker in This State

LEARNS THE SENTIMENT

That the proposed local option bill to be introduced in the forthcoming session of the legislature by the Anti-Saloon league of Pennsylvania stands a good show of being passed, is in effect the statement of Rev. Harry M. Chalfant, Pennsylvania editor of the American Issue, the Anti-Saloon League paper. Rev. Chalfant was a visitor in Charleroi over night at the home of his sister, Mrs. John H. Frye, of Fifth Street.

The bill to be introduced by the local optionists will not differ materially from that introduced at a session of the Legislature two years ago. Its sole purpose will be to give the people the referendum on the matter of liquor selling.

In case the Legislature passes such a bill Gov. Tener will likely sign it. Mr. Chalfant believes. The temperance people will make the fight of their lives for a local option bill this session.

Rev. Chalfant left Charleroi for Uniontown. His present trip is to get in touch with men elected at the last election to the legislature as well as to ascertain the trend of sentiment. In Allegheny county he states he finds sentiment much in favor of the local option bill.

Pipes and Smokers' Articles at Might's Book Store.

What a \$1.50 Will Do For Xmas. It will send the Ladies Home Journal for one year, or the Saturday Evening Post for one year to any address. Might's Book Store.

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UNDER CHARGE OF STEALING UNIFORM

Man Supposed to Have Done Hotel Thieving Sent to Jail From Fayette City to Await Trial for Larceny.

Charged with having stolen the clothing, curtains and such like Masonic uniform of a dead man and to have raffled off the sword, a man whose right name is said to be Thomas Carnelli, has been lodged in jail at Uniontown by Fayette City police authorities. Carnelli was arrested at Belle Vernon. He is the man who with a lot of names and more nerve is said to have robbed hotels in Monessen and other places of bed

THROWS LAW BOOK AND THEN PRAYS

Monessen Man Takes Queer Notions When he Goes Temporarily Insane

Fanatical and religious matters do not seem to blend well in the case of Alexander Dobzeinski, a Monessen Polander, who Thursday it is said became temporarily deranged while concluding a deal for the purchase of a house from the firm of Shuster and Reed at Monessen. Dobzeinski got in action when his wife spoke to him suddenly by seizing a convenient book said to be a large volume of laws and with all the accuracy of an attorney to have hurled it at the head of Mr. Shuster.

Performing that act he seemed to consider prayer necessary and knelt in front of a bystander to offer up in a perfect string of Polish his petitions for divine forgiveness. Feeling himself to be without supreme power the bystander moved aside whereupon Dobzeinski began to kiss the feet of the various ones in the office. A girl he seemed to think was a deity, and he embraced her until she had to be torn away by three men. She forthwith fled, disappearing through a rear window. Finally the police were summoned and Dobzeinski, who from evidences was clear bug house was taken in charge.

Sarah Bernhardt Coming.

The impressive pictures of Sarah Bernhardt in the historical presentation of "Queen Elizabeth" which has been unanimously approved by the leading critics in the larger cities where these pictures have been exhibited, will be seen at the Coyle Theatre Tuesday.

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Morgan-Walker.

Miss Margaret Walker of Charleroi on Thursday became the bride of Albert T. Morgan of Detroit, Mich., it is stated at Pittsburgh.

We fit only. We know how. C. R. Newcomer for next pair. 121-t1

The Very Latest and Best Books

In the Hollow of Her Hand, by Geo. Barr McCutcheon.

The Net, by Rex Beach

Corporal Cameron, by Ralph Connors.

The Good Indian, by B. M. Bower.

The Arm-Chair at the Inn, by Hopkinson Smith.



Where There is a Will, by Mary R. Rinehart.

The White Shield, by Myrtle Reed.

Streets of Ascalon, by R. W. Chambers.



Place of Honeymoons, by Harold MacGrath.

Valiants of Virginia, by Hallie Erskine Rives.

Their Yesterdays, by Harold Bell Wright.

Templing of Tavernake, by Phillips Oppenheim.

Why Not Books for Xmas? MIGHT'S BOOK AND TOY STORE

TWO RAILROADS MAKE READY FOR BIG BATTLE

Election is Claimed

Van Bittner Says He is to Succeed Himself as President of District Miners

While the exact figures will not be known until after Christmas, Tuesday's election to the presidency of District No. 5 United Mine Workers of America, is claimed by President Van Bittner, by a 2,500 majority over Michael Halapay, of Finleyville. It was announced at headquarters in the Ferguson Building, Pittsburgh Thursday that Bittner has a majority of 2,200 in 40 out of the 160 local districts.

It is admitted in nearly all quarters that John P. White of Oskaloosa has been re-elected president of the United Mine Workers of America.

FOREIGN FAMILIES HOMELESS

Friday the 13th, Proves Serious to Monessen People

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE

Friday the 13th proved a serious day to John Munna, owner of a house and the families of Victor Natuaro and John Lovitsko, at Monessen. A dwelling housing the families of the two last named men, which belonged to Munna, at 134 Third street, was practically destroyed by fire this morning at 8 o'clock. The damage will total about \$2,500 with insurance fully covering the loss.

The flames first were discovered at about 6 o'clock this morning, and an alarm turned in. A second alarm was given at 8. Owing to trouble in establishing a hose connection the fire got a good start before the firemen could get water on the blaze. A defective flue is said to have caused the trouble.

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The Charleroi Market at 409 Fallowfield avenue received a fine lot of fresh rabbits this morning. 121-t1

Baltimore and Ohio and P. & L. E. Both Seek Traffic

THIS VALLEY CONCERNED

Service Between Fairmont and Pittsburg to be Inaugurated Soon

Indications are that it will be a fight to the finish between the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and the Pittsburg and Lake Erie railroad for the passenger trade between Pittsburg and Fairmont. The Pittsburg and Lake Erie is about ready to install its service to Fairmont from Pittsburg along the Monongahela river. Realizing that its passenger trade would soon become slim the B. & O. has made arrangements for various improvements, the first of which will be the inauguration of a new night train next Sunday night.

Big improvements are to be made all along the B. & O. line. At Morgantown a new passenger station is planned and an appropriation of \$100,000 has been granted for its construction. For years the officials of the West Virginia city have been striving to secure this concession, but the officials of the B. & O. turned a deaf ear.

It is believed by those in close touch with railroad affairs that the P. & L. E. will get the most of the trade because of a more direct service, a better roadbed and generally better trains.

HUBE WAGNER OF PITT MAY PLAY WITH STERLINGS

"Hube" Wagner, the captain-elect of the University of Pittsburgh football team and "Polly" Galvin, the captain during the season just closed will be in uniform with the Sterling team from Pittsburgh against the Charleroi team Saturday afternoon, it is stated, on the local field. That the game will be a hummer goes without saying and that there will be a big crowd goes without saying.

In addition to the rest of the college stars that will line up with Charleroi, it was ascertained last night will be Dave Morrow, coach for some years at Washington and Jefferson college and a center of note; and Young, the big W. & J. fullback.

Probably never again will a team more nearly representing the All Pennsylvania eleven be together than on Saturday. The best players in the State will be here. Two prominent Eastern college men will officiate. The game will start at 3 o'clock.

Notice.

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THE "GOBLIN FRIAR."

One of the Specters That Are Said to Haunt Newstead Abbey.

Newstead Abbey, the home of Lord Byron, has the reputation of being haunted by more than one specter, and many curious noises and strange sights have been heard and seen by residents and visitors there. But the best known and most noted specter connected with the place and immortalized in Byron verse is the "Goblin Friar." The particular chamber which this specter is supposed especially to frequent and which is known par excellence as the "haunted chamber" adjoins Byron's bedroom. Lord Byron and many others not only believed in the existence of the Black Friar, but asserted that they had really seen it. It did not confine its visitations, however, to the "haunted chamber," but at night walked the cloisters and other portions of the abbey.

A monk arrayed in cowl and beads and dusky garb appeared. New in the moonlight and now faded in shade.

With steps that trod as heavy, yet un-

heard.

This apparition is the evil genius of the Byrons, and its appearance portends misfortune of some kind to the member of the family to whom it appears. Lord Byron fully believed that he had seen this apparition a short time before the greatest misfortune of his life, his ill-starred union with Miss Milbanke. Alluding to his belief in these things, he said:

I merely mean to say what Johnson said—That in the course of some six thousand years

All nations have believed that from the dead

A visitant at intervals appears.

And what is stranger upon this strange head

Is that whatever bane the reason rears

Against such beliefs there's something stronger still

In its behalf, let those deny who will.

—Kansas City Star.

HAYDN AND THE ROD.

When the Budding Composer Was Flogged by Royal Command.

An amusing incident of the healthy boyhood of the great composer, Joseph Haydn, is given by Mary Maxwell Moffat in her biography of the Austrian empress, Maria Theresa.

When Von Reutter became choirmaster of St. Stephen's cathedral he had Joseph Haydn among his pupils.

During a visit to the Hungarian Prince Esterhazy, in 1773, Maria Theresa took occasion to say a word of praise to Haydn, who had composed the music of the opera given in her honor and had conducted the performance. She expressed the conviction that she had seen him before, although she could not remember the occasion.

"The last time your majesty was pleased to take notice of me," said Haydn, "you ordered me a good thrashing."

"That does not sound like me," rejoined the empress. "How did it happen?"

Then Haydn told of a Whitsuntide when, with other pupils of Von Reutter, he had been brought to Schoenbrunn to sing in the chapel. Between the services the boys took to clambering over the scaffolding of the new wings of the palace. The empress caught sight of them and sent word forbidding the dangerous sport. But the attraction of the scaffolding was irresistible. On the following day the boys were again resting their necks. When Maria Theresa expostulated with Von Reutter his surmise that the ringleader was "that young scamp, Joseph Haydn," led her to suggest that the rod be used to improve his memory.

The Glowworm Cavern.

The greatest wonder of the antipodes is the celebrated glowworm cavern, discovered in 1831 in the heart of the Tasmanian wilderness. The cavern or caverns (there appears to be a series of such caverns in the vicinity, each separate and distinct) are situated near the town of Southport, Tasmania, in a limestone bluff, about four miles from the bay. The appearance of the main cavern is that of an underground river, the entire floor of the subterranean passage being covered with water about a foot and a half in depth. These wonderful Tasmanian caves are similar to all caverns found in limestone formation, with the exception that their roofs and sides literally shine with the light emitted by the millions of glowworms which inhabit them.

Strange Cure For Lunacy.

Our forefathers were so fond of the whip that they seem to have regarded it as a cure for lunacy and even for smallpox. The accounts of a Huntingdonshire parish under date 1691 have the entry, "I'd in charges taking up a distracted woman, watching her and whipping her next day, 8s. 6d." and a few years later eightpence is paid for "whipping two people who had the smallpox."—London Standard.

How, Indeed?

Small Boy Sister said to ask if you and any invisible ink New Drug Clerk after looking among some bottles: "I guess we haven't, at least I don't see any." Small Boy (contemptuously)—"Huh! How do you expect to see it if it's invisible?"—Chicago News.

Tart Retort.

Restaurant patron (caustically)—"I am glad to see your babe has shut up madam Mother—Yes, sir. You are the only thing that's pleased him since he saw the animals eat at the zoo park."

If your spirits are low do something and if you have been doing something do something different.—B. B. Hale

A Wonderful Moss.

One of the most wonderful specimens of vegetable life known to the botanist is the "life moss" of Jamaica, Barbados and other of the West Indian islands. There are several species of tropical plants which have remarkable tenacity of life, but the "life moss" and the story of its vitality are almost beyond belief. Its powers to live under adverse circumstances being certainly beyond that of any other known plant. It appears to be absolutely indestructible by any means except by immersion in boiling water or the application of a red-hot iron to its roots and branching vines. It may be cut up and divided into infinitesimal particles, and then the very smallest shred will throw out roots and soon grow and form new branches and buds. Specimens of this extraordinary plant have been suspended in the air in a dry, hot room; they have been placed in close, air-tight dark boxes, without moisture of any sort, and yet they lived, grew and flourished.

A Sundial That "Struck."

Paris is said to possess more sundials than any other city in the world. In the eighteenth century the sundial was popular in Paris. Every day at noon the sundial of the Palais Royal was the center of interest of an eager crowd. A writer tells of a "great crowd in the corner of the Palais Royal garden, standing motionless, with their noses in the air." Each was waiting for noon, having his watch in hand, ready to set at 12 o'clock. When the Duke of Orleans was altering the palace in 1782 the Parisians were much disturbed, thinking that they were to be deprived of their favorite sundial. But the duke not only preserved the sundial, but added to it a little powder magazine, which was so arranged that it exploded when the sunlight fell upon it, thus notifying every one who heard the explosion that the hour of noon had arrived. Later a cannon, which was discharged by the sun at noon, gave the signal.

Information Not Needed.

A middle-aged woman went into a shop and without hesitation made straight for the grape counter. The girl who handled this funeral material was extremely affable.

"We have a large stock of grapes," she explained. "Let me show you some new French goods, very popular at this time for every kind of mourning and designed to express every degree of grief. If you will tell me for whom you are in mourning I can fix you out in exactly the right thing."

"Husband," replied the customer briefly.

"In that case," said the girl graciously, "I can tell you just what!"

"Young lady," interrupted the older woman angrily, "you needn't bother yourself. This is the fourth husband I've buried, and I know all about it."—St. Paul Dispatch.

Harlem in New York.

In 1636 there was a settlement at the foot of a little hill in New York city which the settlers called Slung Berge, or Snake Hill, but which is now called Mount Morris. As the settlement grew each Dutchman who lived there wanted to name it after his native town. But as each one had come from a different place in Holland they could not agree. Governor Stuyvesant made careful inquiries, and, finding that no one had come from Harlem, he nipped all neighborly jealousies in the bud by naming it Nieuw Haarlem.

Anchoring a Lightship.

A very effective method is employed to keep a lightship always in practically the same position. The ship is moored by three anchors which rest in the sea bed in the form of a triangle. When the tide alters its direction the vessel, of course, swings with it, but only to a limited extent. The ship cannot change right over, as it would if only one anchor were used, for the three anchors each fix it in a different position and do not allow it to move more than a few yards.

The Boy's Mistake.

The teacher asked, "When did Moses live?"

After the silence had become painful she ordered, "Open your Old Testament. What does it say there?"

A boy answered, "Moses, 4000 B. C."

"Now," said the teacher, "why didn't you know when Moses lived?"

"Well," replied the boy, "I thought 4000 B. C. was his telephone number."

—Pearson's Weekly.

The Other One.

"What is the meaning of 'alter ego'?" asked the teacher of the business' class in Latin.

"The other I," said the boy with the curly hair.

"Give a sentence containing the phrase."

"He winked his alter ego."

She Works at Home.

Hicks: "I understand Mrs. Bias has learned how to keep her husband at home. Wicks: Nonsense! Bias is out with 'the boys' nearly every night. Hicks: You misunderstand me. I mean the work she does at home keeps him. She's a dress-maker, you know."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Economy a la Mode.

"There's an economical girl for you!" "As to how?"

"Eats a five-cent lunch every day."

"Yes; she's trying to save \$30 to buy a new hat."—Pittsburgh Post.

The Sicilian tyrants never devised a greater punishment than envy.—Juvenal.



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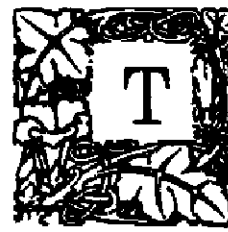
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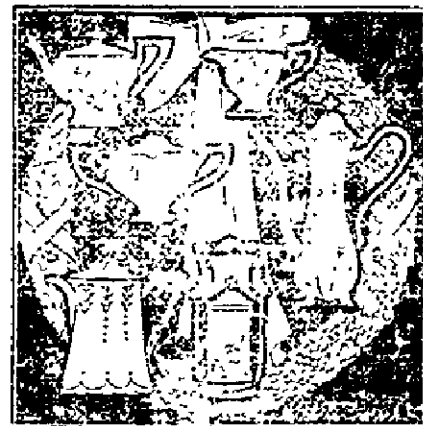
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Charleroi, Pa.

Remember the Date. December 14. 3:00 P. M.

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"In the Toe Tip of the Stocking"

Something from our store should go. A set of beads, a brooch, a pin, a set of buttons—what you like so long as it snuggles down where it will be discovered last, as the best of all gifts should be. Not that they'll cost you too much either—we've learned where and when to buy gifts to our, and your greatest advantage. And Old Santa is waiting just behind the scenes, getting ready to pull the curtain back.

When this final scene is shown you should be better satisfied in the knowledge that there is some gift there, bought from our store. Perhaps it may be a beautiful piece of art goods, some jewelry, a toilet set, manicure set, scissors set, sewing set, a box of handkerchiefs, silk waist patterns, books, perfumes, gloves, umbrellas etc, etc.—hundreds of useful and inexpensive things.

And Remember the Christmas Reductions

Your chance to get a coat, suit, set of furs or a hat at these reductions while we are still in the midst of the season.

A Christmas Reduction of one-fourth (1/4) off on all Millinery and trimmings. You can get any of our ladies hats at these prices here in the middle of the season, and some of them have just been finished and put in stock.

A Christmas Reduction of ten per cent on ladies coats and furs. It is just the season for coats and you'll more than likely buy one anyhow, so why not buy one at these reductions. Then furs have always been cherished gifts, and if you have thought of giving them why not buy them at our Christmas Reduction sale?

A Christmas Reduction of ladies suits—reductions that mean dollars to you, much room to us in our show cases, and a surplus stock disposed of.

Ladies' \$15 and \$16.50 Suits at Christmas Reduction	\$10.00
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Ladies' \$20 Suits	\$13.50
Ladies' \$25 Suits	\$16.50
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NORTH CHARLEROI

Frank Baldwin of Donora was visiting relatives and friends here Tuesday.

Miss Leila Nutt was shopping in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

Pete Coven was in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

Mrs. Samuel Gaskill and children were visiting in Monessen Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Reynolds and daughter Claribel of Fayette City were visiting Mrs. H. N. Boyer Sunday.

Mrs. S. F. Luker and daughter, Mary of Gibsonton were visiting at the home of Henry Luker Monday.

Mrs. Emma Musselman of Virginia is visiting Mrs. I. N. Kibler.

Mrs. Hiram Poulks and Mrs. Geo. Dennis were Pittsburgh visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. H. N. Boyer was in Donora visiting friends Wednesday.

William Parish of Donora was visiting at the home of William Poulks Tuesday.

Lee Honsaker was visiting in Brownsville Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Chas. Hillman of Monongahela is visiting Mrs. Freeman Crispin.

Mrs. W. H. Hinch of Duquesne visited her sister, Miss Ethel Jackson Tuesday.

Mrs. Joseph Jennings was shopping in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

Clarence Bly was in California Wednesday.

Robert Hill of Pittsburgh visited his aunt, Mrs. G. D. Masters Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Snow are visiting Mrs. J. A. Morrison at Delmont.

J. L. Connel, Jr., was visiting his sister, Mrs. J. A. Faulx of Dunbar the first of the week.

Mrs. H. W. Williams was shopping in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

J. L. Connel was in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

Mrs. Clyde Bradley and Mrs. George Dennis were visiting relatives in Donora the first of the week.

Prothonatory and Mrs. A. V. Lewis of Washington are visiting Mrs. Noah Roley.

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Invitations have been issued by the Washington County Club of the Pennsylvania State College for its fourth annual Winter dance to be held Monday evening, December 30, in the Might Auditorium, Charleroi. The affair will be one of the pleasing college affairs of the holiday season. Last winter the dance of the Washington County Club was held at McDonald. The forthcoming dance will be informal.

WANT THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT TO JUDGE DEBATE

County Superintendent L. R. Crumrine has received an invitation from the committee to act as one of the judges at the annual literary contest between the rival societies of Franklin college at New Athens, O., on December 20. Superintendent Crumrine will probably accept the invitation. The committee sending the invitation was composed of D. S. Perry and A. W. Dickinson.

MUTTON BIRDS IN MILLIONS.

Armies of Them Blacken New Zealand's Sky Every Spring.

Yearly, at the coming of spring, the thousands of mutton birds, New Zealand, more especially those flying toward the south, because the temporary homes of myriads of mutton birds, which pay a visit for the nesting season. Out of the silence of the great southern ocean come the birds in vast armies. Low flying over the water, for the most part close in shore, the huge flocks draw dark parallels of shadow across the sea-scape. The birds fly in separate bands, disciplined and massed in a serried whole—a continuous stream of masses between sea and sky. Each army shows a lead of perhaps a quarter of a mile, the birds in the stretch of line, after long and patient waiting, descend on the beach of some bay or cove, and the birds are seen one of the most curious sights of the world. It is a scene of great beauty and interest, and down on a leaving floor of deepened, undulating, black flocks, at the myriad scintillations of white tips, wings. So close is the flock, so soon the ranks of the flocks, that the water beneath is hidden as with a carpet.

Hour after hour the passage of the army continues, from dawn till dusk, and far into the night. In the night the noise of countless beating wings that surges up over the cut and test that the army is still on the move, the whirr of wings and cries of the rear guard beating up the stragglers grow faint in the distance and one realizes that at last the mighty host has passed on its way. Wide World Magazine

DISMAL ENGLISHMEN.

Despair Over the State of the Country Becoming Chronic.

Dr. Forbes Ross, a well known London physician, says that England is "drifting toward the day when the average Englishman's face will be that of the typical criminal." He believes, says a correspondent of the New York Sun, that "the better classes of England cannot keep pace with the fearful stress of taxation and other burdens imposed upon them and are therefore being wiped out. In other words, modern legislation . . . is replacing the better classes by a mixture of sheep and wild beasts and the nation is being propagated by those retaining primordial qualities and the primitive instinct and the average Englishman at this rate will soon have a depraved gorilla countenance."

Despair over the state of the country is almost a national characteristic of the English. They are never so happy as when they are being gloomy about themselves. Any copy of any English paper will show that the English people are going to the demerit bonfires. The English addiction to patent medicines is another evidence of this general tendency to low spirits. Other nations see nothing in particular the matter with the English. They seem to outsiders to be doing fairly well as nations go. What they really need is a course of mental science and practice in the cheerful point of view.

The Danes and Britain.

John Ackworth, an English dialect novelist, who made a special study of the dialects of Lancashire, Yorkshire the east coasts and also of the Danes, shows that the Danes by their early landings and sojournings in England have influenced the language of the east coasts of Britain to an extraordinary degree and that the Danes and the British in spite of apparent differences are one practically in speech and language as well as in the relationship of blood. "So strong is the English of the east coasts of England impregnated with Danish," John Ackworth once said, "that I am sure that if a fisherman from the east coasts of England were to be wrecked on the shores of Denmark and he would only speak in his true native dialect that fisherman would be able to make himself understood."

Society and Personal

M. T. Crowley is transacting business today in Pittsburgh.

H. J. Booth and J. Russel Blythe are in Homestead and Pittsburgh today transacting business.

Mrs. W. H. Coles is visiting in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. D. H. Jones is in Pittsburgh today.

Clarence B. James, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. James of Sixth street, has been elected to the Student Senate of the University of Pittsburgh, where he is a student.

Mrs. J. F. Donaghy is spending the day in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. George Gunderman was in Pittsburgh Thursday.

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Has Nose Badly Hurt.

James Norma of Waynesburg, who is employed at the North Charleroi Brick works fell from a wagon at that place this morning, sustaining a peculiar injury to his nose. The member was terribly cut and mashed. Dr. H. J. Repman attended the injured man.

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Has Nose Broken.

Herbert Gozliou, son of Louis Gozliou, proprietor of L'Union des Travailleurs, the French newspaper has his nose broken while playing basketball with a Charleroi team against Mt. Washington, at Mt. Washington Thursday night.

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WANTED—Good girl for housework, foreign or American. Mrs. W. Y. Brady, 401 Meadow avenue. 120-41

FOR RENT—Five rooms and bath. Inquire 337 Washington, avenue. 121-42

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington chickens at 915 Lincoln avenue. 121-42

CANONSBURG BOROUGH MUST PAY DAMAGES

A joint meeting of these bodies was held in order to come to an understanding regarding certain parts of the disease and when the children law. Cases were brought to the attention of the officials in which the grossest violation of law was mani-

The action was brought about by a case of measles at the home of John Patrick. His children it is stated, had been out of school for a number of weeks. He did not have a physician, it is alleged, nor was the board of health notified of the existence of the disease and when the children were apparently better the parents are said to have refused to allow the place to be properly fumigated.

Estate of Seraphin Teston, Deceased.
Having been appointed Auditor in the above estate, to hear and pass upon all claims which may be presented against said estate, to hear and pass upon all questions which may be raised as to the distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the Administrator, to ascertain heirs, creditors and persons entitled to participate in the distribution of said balance and to report a schedule of distribution to the Court, notice is hereby given that I will attend to the duties of said appointment at the office of Alex M. Templeton, Esq., Room No. 515, Washington Trust Building, Washington, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, December 28th, 1912 at ten o'clock a. m. at which time all parties interested may appear if they see proper.

The first consignment of Christmas trees were received at the local freight yards Wednesday. They are consigned to a local wholesale firm who will distribute them to the various retail dealers. The trees are of the usual fir variety.

The Monessen police raided an alleged gambling joint Sunday night, and arrested the proprietor and three visitors. At the hearing before Burgess Reamer Monday the latter imposed a fine of \$40 and costs on the proprietor, \$20 and costs on one of the visitors who hailed from Pittsburg and the others were assessed enough to bring the total up to \$75. It is stated that one or two of the visitors had dropped their wads before the police arrived, and that the proprietor and the Pittsburg man were going it alone when interrupted.

Who accurately divines his own
limitations has gone far

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168 PIECES OF SILVERWARE

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changed for 6 votes FREE
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Old Time Punishment.

In "Pike's History of Crimes," vol. 1, page 226 is found the following copy of the sentence of an old time court: "It is the order of the court that for your treason you be drawn and hanged and beheaded and that your heart, bowels and entrails from hence come your traitorous thoughts, be torn out and burned to ashes and that the ashes be scattered to the four winds and that your body be afterward cut into four quarters."

Sugar.

A West India paper says that in 152 an Englishman, Sir, was written in which it is recorded that the Duke of Beaufort who died in 1702 was the advanced age of eighty years old to eat a pound of sugar every day and it was found that he was never troubled with coughs and his teeth were firm so that his house-keeper gave this reason:

That water preserves teeth and gums. Will also preserve his old fangs.

He remembered.

Mrs. Jones. Do you remember that night in June Henry when you had led me to marry you. Mr. Jones.

You refer to that first night single life and only one son upon which I never asked you to marry me. I do not you never gave me another chance that.

His Ancestors.

Jones. So you have succeeded in being back my ancestors? What is in their genealogist. One thousand pounds for keeping quiet about them London Telegraph.

DOOMED HIMSELF.

Chief Shavehead Boasted Once Too Often of His Deeds of Blood.

J. Seymour Currey in "The Story of Old Fort Dearborn" describes the massacre of the garrison of the old fort and tells of one instance of poetic justice for the Indians' butchery.

"Bloody retribution," says Mr. Currey, "overtook one of the savages. Who on the day of the massacre showed no mercy to his victims. This was a chief known as a deadly enemy of the whites and who bore the expressive name of Shavehead because of his peculiar manner of tying up his scanty hair.

"Years afterward Chief Shavehead was in company with a band of hunters in the Michigan woods. In the party was a white man who had formerly been a soldier at Fort Dearborn and was one of the survivors of the battle on the lake shore. At one of the campfires the chief, being of a boastful disposition related while under the influence of liquor to those sitting about the campfire the frightful tale concerning the events of that day, dwelling upon its horrors and boasting of his own deeds.

"He was not aware that one of the whites whom he had so fiercely ascribed was at that moment listening to his boastful utterances. The old soldier as he heard the tale was saddened by the recall of the well remembered scene.

"To a certain point the old savage departed in the direction of the forest. Then the soldier with loaded rifle followed at his steps. Others of the band as they pressed out

of sight into the shades of the forest. The soldier returned after a time to his companions, but Shavehead was never seen again."

PROPOSALS IN JAPAN.

Quaint Custom of Placing a Plant in an Empty Flowerpot.

In some of the Japanese islands, in houses wherein reside one or more daughters of a marriageable age, an empty flowerpot of an ornamental character is encircled by a ring and suspended from the window or veranda by three light chains.

The daughters of Japan are, of course, as attractive to the Romeos as those of other lands. But instead of serenades by moonlight and other delicate ways of making an impression it is etiquette for the Japanese lover to approach the dwelling of his lady bearing some choice plant in his hand, which he boldly proceeds to plant in the empty vase.

This takes place at a time when he is fully assured that both mother and daughter are at home neither of whom of course is at all conscious that the young man is taking such a liberty with the flowerpot outside their window. This act of placing a pretty plant in the empty flowerpot is equivalent to a formal proposal to the young lady who dwells within.

The young lady, evidence having settled his claim to his mind retires and the lady is left to act as she pleases. If he is successful she takes every opportunity to show him her love.

favorite or if stern parents object to a poor plant is torn from the vase and the next morning lies limp and withered on the veranda or on the path below.

The Oil in Cloves.

Cloves are simply the dried flower buds of a beautiful evergreen tree growing naturally on the Spice Islands. These flower buds are gathered when they have become of a bright red color are just on the point of opening. The name comes from the resemblance of the prepared spice to small nails, from the French word clou, for nail. Cloves are very heavily charged with a pungent, acrid, volatile oil, as much as ten per cent sometimes being extracted. This oil is valuable for flavoring and scenting purposes and has a limited field in medicine, but the habit of wearing cloves, in which young folks are too often old ones indulge, is very reprehensible, as the oil is a powerful drug becoming in many cases an insidious poison.

Mitigating Circumstance.

A Scotch baillie recently advanced the bench had a criminal placed before him accused of some very modest violation of the law. Of course the baillie knew the prisoner well. He heard the charge stated.

"John, man, I'm sorry to see you here. We'll just fine you half a crown."

The clerk here intervened.

"But the charge is not yet proved. We have not heard the evidence."

Then the benignest baillie.

"Ah well, John, my man, fine it. The law is not moved we'll just fine you half a crown."

London Telegraph.

Come—Farm Where Success is Sure

WHY wait to know and when are you going to know? Eastern farmers are making money in California. It will prove many of the things you have heard about the West. In Northern California the soil is rich, the climate is just what you need, and you have the best of the rain and the sun.

Orange, tangerine and fruit grains grow, and vegetables mature in less than six weeks in the best of California.

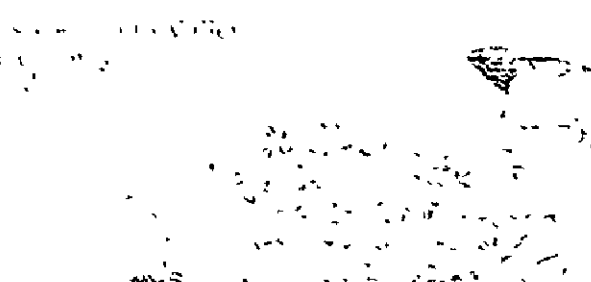
So hard money is easy to raise. It produces more because the farmer has a full year before he has to sell his crops. He grows all crops and all kinds of crops are near, with no middleman between the farmer and the consumer.

Investigate this wonderful farm, for a person is successful.

"TWENTY'S PLENTY - FORTY'S A FORTUNE"

Read carefully this table of profits and note the fact that on the farm you will then understand why the Kuhn farms in the Sacramento Valley are money makers.

Alfalfa	\$ 60 to \$ 90	Leeks	\$ 100 to \$ 300
Asparagus	80 to 100	Lucumbarberries	100 to 200
Apples	100 to 200	Olives	100 to 200
Apricots	100 to 200	Oranges	200 to 400
Asparagus	100 to 200	Peaches	200 to 300
Beans	80 to 100	Pears	100 to 200
Blackberries	150 to 200	Pistachios	100 to 200
Cherries	150 to 200	Potatoes (Irish)	100 to 150
English Walnuts	150 to 200	Potatoes (Sweet)	100 to 150
Figs	100 to 200	Pumpkins	125 to 200
Grapes (Raisin)	80 to 150	Strawberries	200 to 300
Grapes (Table)	75 to 100	Sweet Peas	40 to 75
Grapes (Wine)	90 to 150	Tomatoes	100 to 150



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Write today and learn of people who are making big money on Kuhns' Sacramento Valley Farms, the profits paying the purchase price.

Don't delay if you are interested, write us at once, as every day now sees new settlers moving on this land and the best farms go first.

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"In the Toe Tip of the Stocking"



Something from our store should go. A set of beads, a brooch, a pin, a set of buttons—what you like so long as it snuggles down where it will be discovered last, as the best of all gifts should be. Not that they'll cost you too much either—we've learned where and when to buy gifts to our, and your greatest advantage. And Old Santa is waiting just behind the scenes, getting ready to pull the curtain back.

When this final scene is shown you should be better satisfied in the knowledge that there is some gift there, bought from our store. Perhaps it may be a beautiful piece of art goods, some jewelry, a toilet set, manicure set, scissors set, sewing set, a box of handkerchiefs, silk waist patterns, books, perfumes, gloves, umbrellas etc., etc.—hundreds of useful and inexpensive things.

And Remember the Christmas Reductions

Your chance to get a coat, suit, set of furs or a hat at these reductions while we are still in the midst of the season.

A Christmas Reduction of one-fourth (¼) off on all Millinery and trimmings. You can get any of our ladies hats at these prices here in the middle of the season, and some of them have just been finished and put in stock.

A Christmas Reduction of ten per cent on ladies coats and furs. It is just the season for coats and you'll more than likely buy one anyhow, so why not buy one at these reductions. Then furs have always been cherished gifts, and if you have thought of giving them why not buy them at our Christmas Reduction sale?

A Christmas Reduction of ladies suits—reductions that mean dollars to you, much room to us in our show cases, and a surplus stock disposed of.

Ladies' \$15 and \$16.50 Suits at Christmas Reduction	\$10.00
Ladies' \$18 Suits	\$12.50
Ladies' \$20 Suits	\$13.50
Ladies' \$25 Suits	\$16.50
Ladies' \$27.50 Suits	\$18.50
Ladies' \$30 Suits	\$20.00

These Christmas Reductions should mean a great saving to you on these articles and the demand for them is as strong as it has been earlier in the season. These reductions are a real Xmas gift to you from our store.

J. W. BERRYMAN & SON

Charleroi's Christmas Store

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

(Continued from First Page)

"Many of the weights and measures departments of the various states regularly inspect or 'prove' water, gas and electric meters. It is being overlooked in many places owing to the amount of time and work required to do this work. It would be a large task in this county and require the services of extra help in this department. At present the sealer is swamped with other phases of the work and is unable to give the gas, water and electric meters any consideration. Testers are necessary to 'prove' meters and at present these are not included in the local equipment. It is, however, a very necessary and important part of the work and later will no doubt receive the consideration that it merits.

"In many of the large cities there are found testing departments, where a public consumer of these commodities can go to secure the services of one who will test or 'prove' their meters. This service is charged for and must be paid by the consumer insisting upon the test. Taximeters used on taxicabs are also being tested in the large cities and they too come under the weights and measures law. I understand that this work will soon be taken up in the city of Pittsburgh, I mean the testing of taximeters. In reference to water, gas and electric meters Pittsburgh has a department for 'proving' or making tests and all a consumer needs to do is to use the phone and pay the bill.

"Where these tests are made in this way there is general dissatisfaction for it is often charged that the testers or inspectors are reached by the large corporations and their work influenced. My opinion is that generally speaking these tests are honest but the consuming public feels that it is at the mercy of the corporations and insists upon a test by its local government, through its weights and measures department."

MUCH INTEREST IN FOOTBALL GAME

All along the Monongahela valley great interest is being manifested in the forthcoming football battle here Saturday afternoon between Charleroi and the Sterling team of Pittsburgh, for the Western Pennsylvania championship. The mere fact that the Sterlings are to play is sufficient to bring a big crowd. Of greater interest, however, is the fact that Charleroi will be represented by some of the greatest football players in the country in the persons of Very, Mauthe, Gray and Harlow of State College and Moody, Fleming and Alexander of Washington and Jefferson college.

Twenty inch, jointed, Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 85c at Pfelehardt's. 120-41

The Colonial Shoemaker. American supremacy in shoemaking is due largely to specialization. Abroad an operative does half a dozen different things. Here he performs one simple process, and here also one factory makes one kind of shoes. If a large manufacturer makes different kinds of shoes he has a separate factory for each kind.

What a sight the modern shoe factory would be to the primitive shoemaker of colonial days, who was an itinerant workman, carried his tools with him and stayed with each family long enough to make up the farmer's supply of home tanned leather into shoes enough to last until his next annual visit. His last was roughly whittled out of a piece of wood to suit the largest foot in the family and then pared down for the successive sizes. He sat on a low bench, one end of which was divided into compartments, where his awls, hammers, knives and rasps were kept, with his pots of paste and blacking, his nails, thread, linings and buttons. "Shoulder sticks" and "rub sticks."—New York Sun.

O-dori Street, Tokyo. One of the most densely populated spots in the world is O-dori street, Tokyo. The long thoroughfare known as Ginza, which runs from near the "Himabashi" railway station to the wide and modern, some old fashioned and narrow, and if the earth were suddenly to gaze open wide in that position known as O-dori street at any hour of the day there is no other thoroughfare in the Japanese city where the results to human life would be more fatal, for here the tide of human life runs the highest. But O-dori street is extremely narrow, so that the density of the crowd does not make the daily figures much above the 200,000 mark. Unlike most of the other important cities of the world, this thickly populated commercial district of Tokyo is situated outside the city walls. —Sira Magazine.

LADIES

The Christmas rush has just started and we know that it will continue. One reason is that our prices are just the same before Christmas as they are at any other time of the year.

We have hired more help for this occasion. The store will be open every evening till 8:30.

We know that if you come here to do your Christmas shopping you will not repent it. We have what you want at the right prices.

EUGENE FAU

514-16 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

Society and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McKean of Charleroi, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey J. Steele of Brownsville were among those who attended the wedding at Pittsburgh Tuesday evening of Miss Elizabeth Richardson and R. Clifford Lightcap.

Robert Kennedy, Esq., of Uniontown, was in Charleroi Wednesday on business.

Mrs. S. R. Collins is spending the day in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. E. G. Stanley went to Knoxville today to attend a missionary meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Shey went to Pittsburgh today to attend the wedding and reception of Miss Margaretta Christy and Rev. David Fleming this evening. Mr. Shey will be assistant rector at the ceremony.

ROLLING THUNDER.

Why the Rumble at Times is So Long Drawn Out.

The prolonged roll of thunder is readily explained by comparison with a volley fired along a line of troops. Suppose troops to be drawn up on a line in such numbers as to extend for a mile and ordered by a signal that all could see to fire at once. One standing at the end of the line would hear the report of the nearest nearest him instantly. He would hear the others successively. Thus a report 500 feet away would come to him in half a second, and he would not hear the last report for five or six seconds after the gun had been fired. This would produce a sort of roll, which would gradually increase in intensity.

If the listener stood exactly midway between the two ends of the line the reports from both ends would reach him at once and the sound would be but half as long in reaching him as if he stood at one extremity. If the soldiers formed a circle there would be one sharp explosion.

Flashes of lightning may be considered as representing three lines of troops along which the explosions occur at the same time. Consider the variety of distance and position of the listener and we account for the variety of sound in thunder. In mountainous regions the rolling is augmented by reverberations or echoes.

Pharaohs Had the Hookworm.

The hookworm has been preying on man perhaps for thousands of years. A papyrus written 3,000 years ago contains a description of a disease in Egypt which many physicians declare was the hookworm disease. It describes it too accurately to be anything else in recent times. It was observed in Egypt first in 1823, but the first record of treatment was made in 1857. Whether or not malaria was one of the chief causes of the downfall of Greece and Rome, it is very certain that hookworm disease has played a part in Asiatic history. The anemic condition of millions of people, century after century, has profoundly affected their economic life, their intellectual qualities, their social habits and ideals and their religion. Of that there can be no doubt. —World's Work.

How She Jogged Memory.

Little Marjorie was taking her first lessons in dancing. The teacher noticed that Marjorie always failed to put out her left foot when commanded to do so. The teacher was patient and thought Marjorie would learn in time, but a number of lessons did not seem to make her know when to put out her left foot. Marjorie would put out that foot when the other children were placing their right feet foremost. Finally the teacher asked Marjorie for an explanation.

"Well, you see," said Marjorie, "I've got a hollow place in a tooth on the left side, and I always have to find that hollow place with my tongue to find out which is my left foot." —Indianapolis News.

PROGRAM AT THE STAR

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 9.

Thursday.
Lost Stud—Disturbed Sentry Gt. Nor.
Tempest in a Teapot
Cupid's Lottery

Friday.
Chiquita, the Dancer
Men Who Dare, 2 reels

Saturday.
The Wandered
Oh, My Pipe
Heapeck Bids for Freedom
Domestic Treasures

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Manicuring, Shampooing, Hair Dressing and Weaving, Face and Scalp Massaging, Chiropody.

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Phone 141-J., Monessen Pa.

Classified Ads.

FOR RENT—Furnished room. Inquire XX Mail office. 119tf

FOR RENT—Furnished room for two. Bath and conveniences. Apply 926 McKean avenue. 120-12p

LOST—Pair of nose glasses on Second street below Lookout avenue. Reward if returned to H. L. Swickey's pool room. 120-12

WANTED—Good girl for housework, foreign or American. Mrs. W. Y. Brady, 401 Meadow avenue. 120-11p

A Word to the Borrower

IF you are a borrower of this paper, don't you think it is an injustice to the man who is paying for it? He may be looking for it at this very moment. Make it a regular visitor to your home. The subscription price is an investment that will repay you well.

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FIRST DEATH FROM DIPHTHERIA OCCURS

The first victim of diphtheria to die in Charleroi is Anna Stacia Mahoney, aged 5 years, the daughter of Mrs. Johanna Mahoney, who succumbed to the dread disease at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The child had been sick less than a week. The father died last June. Funeral services which were private were held this afternoon.

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10c to \$10.00 at Pfelehardt's. 120-41

Xmas Money Saver. We will send the Pictorial Review and Cosmopolitan to one or two addresses for one year for \$2.00. Can you beat it? Might's Book Store

Ladies Desks all popular styles and finishes, \$7.50 to \$25.00 at Pfelehardt's. 120-41

A GIFT FOR A LIFE TIME

Contained in a savings account is the possibility of future success and independence.

To present your son or daughter with a savings account opens up the future and aids in teaching the habits of economy and thrift. There is no question of your good intentions when you make a gift in the form of a savings account.

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Charleroi, Pa.

Capital and Surplus

\$320,000.

THE ANCIENT TRAVELER.

Outfit He Was Advised to Carry in the Eighteenth Century.

A short "Traveler's Guide," dated 1780, contains a good deal of serious advice as to the baggage which should be carried.

"Take," says the book, "two suits of clothes, one coffee colored and one blue, a chest blanket, a pair of leather breeches, a sleeping suit, three pairs of stockings, two pairs of gloves, two wigs, one half in (h), two caps, two hats, two pairs of shoes, one pair of slippers, six undershirts, four 'overshirts,' six neckties, six collars, six handkerchiefs, four pairs of cuffs, three cravats, two pairs of cotton hose and two pairs of socks."

But this is not all, as is shown by the following items: "Take a Bible, a book of sermons, a 'Traveler's Guide,' two albums, a diary, a quire of white paper, quills and ink, an almanac, a mirror, a silver watch, a silver snuff-box, a silver spoon, a pair of silver shoe buckles, a silver tie pin, three silver studs, a gold seal ring, a knife and fork with silver handles, a sewing case, an opera glass, a compass, a wax light and a tinder box, a toothbrush, a silver toothpick, a sword, a silver mounted cane, a padlock with which to fasten your door at night inside, a clothes brush, a box of medicine."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Marking a Book.

There's a dear old chap in this town—too gentle and too modest to put his name or profession into print—who administered a rebuke worth remembering to a young friend. The young man showed him a book in which certain passages were marked with pencil. "The older man asked if he might borrow the book.

"I—I can't lend it," said the other. "I borrowed it myself."

"Ah! And who marked these passages?"

"I did."

"Oh, my boy! You shouldn't make pencilled comments in a borrowed book."

"I—I know it—I—"

"The owner might erase them, you know. Always use ink and so once your wisdom along!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Mean Is Golden.

"How did Jones come to fail?" asked Binks.

"Oh, he had no confidence in himself," replied Jinks.

"And what caused Brown to fail?" asked Binks.

"He was too confident," replied Jinks. —Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Better Part of Valor.

Nobody ever called in question the courage of the early Spanish settlers of California, but there seems to have been at least one man among their descendants who held discretion to be the better part of valor. A certain Don Andreas was interviewed by his superior officer on the eve of an engagement with the enemy and was warned that the American was a very different foe from the Indian or the Mexican and that courage should not be pushed to rashness in an encounter with him.

"Have no fear, general," was the response of the intrepid caballero. "I would far rather that history should record from where I fled than where I fell."

The general's mind was probably relieved of anxiety concerning the fate of at least one individual in his command by this reply.

Black Under the Eyes Explained.

"In the north country"—so goes the story in "Sun Babies," by Cornelia Somabha—"in the month of Karlik is worshipped by the women folks the great and terrible god Bhishma. Lighted lamps must be placed at the crossroads of the village, under the sacred fig tree, at the shrine of Shiva, and one little lighted lamp is sent adrift on a raft in the village tank. When the lamps have burned low it is good to rub the black from the wicks under the eyes. It keeps away the evil one. So that is the reason to this day we women put the black beneath the eyes."

Natural Ear Trumpets.

It has been ascertained that the spiral horn of a wild sheep, when so placed that the ear is in the axis of the coil, makes the direction from which the ticking of a watch comes more easily discernible. Since the ear of the sheep is surrounded by the horn it is inferred that the latter acts as an ear trumpet, not improving the hearing for distant sounds, but disclosing the direction of a sound. This would be useful in enabling the sheep to ascertain the exact points whence sounds come when there is a mist or fog covering its feeble grounds. —Exchange.

Carlyle's Way.

Carlyle appears in a brief reminiscence from the pen of Percy Fitzgerald thus: The thing with Carlyle was to send out for a long churchwarden (a clay pipe) and a screw of tobacco, which put him in great good humor. He talked to his plate, as you might say. If anybody said anything from which he dissented you would hear him murmuring, "Oh, the pulpit said fool; a regular pulpit said fool!"

Gift Slippers, 98c

WOMEN'S and Misses' Wool Crochet Bedroom Slippers—lamb's wool insoles—silk ribbon bows—with or without cuffs—all colors; also Felt Juliettes with leather soles—all colors. Also **MEN'S House Slippers** in tan or black leathers—Romeo, Everett and opera styles. All are unusual values at **98c**. Other slippers 49c to \$2.50.

\$4.50 Plumes 3.50

A MOST acceptable Christmas gift to any woman—dainty and enduring. This special lot are 14 and 16 inches long with broad fibre and large, full head. In black, white, lavender, navy, pink, light blue, red, old rose and green. Each packed in Holiday Box. Real \$4.50 Ostrich Plumes for only **3.50**.

Magnificent stocks of Willow and French Ostrich Plumes from \$5.00 to \$25.00.

Gambell's

Xmas 1912

PERFECT avalanches of bright new Holiday Goods now ready—all that bright minds can conceive and clever hands carry out in the way of plans for your comfort, convenience, service and help have been put into commission. Let us suggest:

- Fine Furniture, Rugs, Sofa Pillows, Screens, Pictures, to make home handomer.
- Toilet Articles in Silver, Celluloid, Ivory, Ebony and all the fine Metals and Woods—single or in Sets.
- Gloves, Fancy Neckwear, Purses, Slippers, Aprons, Bath Robes, House Caps and all Articles of Personal Wear.
- Fine Leather Goods, Silver Pocket Pieces, Jewelry, Umbrellas and various other Souvenirs.
- Dress Patterns, Skirt Patterns, Cloaks, Dressing Sackies, Wrappers, Blankets, Comforters, Table Linens and other articles usually spoken of as "practical presents."
- HANDKERCHIEFS, BOOKS, DOLLS, TOYS AND GAMES.

Again let us remind you to shop early—early in the day if possible.

327-333 Fifth Avenue
"In the Heart of Greater Pittsburgh's Shopping District"

Silk Petticoats, 1.98

You save 3 dollars on this value. Women's silk Taffeta and Messaline Petticoats in tailored styles with pleated or tucked flounces. Colors: gray, red, brown, tan, blue, green, black, changeable effects. Beautifully tailored. Intended to retail at \$2.98. If you order today you can get one for just **1.98**. Other Silk Petticoats to \$7.50. Sweater Coats \$1.98 to \$5.00.

Best Gift for Boys

GUARANTEED WATCH FREE WITH EVERY BOY'S SUIT OR OVERCOAT AT \$3.98 OR OVER (DURING DECEMBER).

To make Boys and Parents of Boys better acquainted with Campbell Clothing, we have purchased several thousand watches to be given away ABSOLUTELY FREE with every purchase of a Boy's Suit or Overcoat at \$3.98 or over (during December). The assortment of Styles, Fabrics and Patterns will include everything possible, and we guarantee our prices to be absolutely lowest.

A Suit or Coat and a Watch Free with Christmas Gift Certificate. (A sensible and sensible proposition.)

Notice of Proposed Private Sale.

Whereas, John Jacob Boltze, Executor of the will of Carl Boltze, late of Speers Borough, Washington County, Pennsylvania, deceased, presented his petition to the Orphans' Court of Washington County, Pa., at No. 13 November Term, 1912, for leave to make private sale to John D. Berryman of Charleroi Pa., of a certain tract of land in Speers Borough, beginning at the intersection of the street car line and a public road leading to Charleroi, and running with the said public road towards Charleroi, and thence in a northerly direction to Maple Creek; thence by said creek easterly to the said street car line; and thence with the street car line in a southerly direction to the place of beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less, and being the late residence of the said Carl Boltze, for the price or sum of one thousand dollars.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested as devisees, heirs-at-law, or intending purchasers that Monday, December 30th, 1912, at ten o'clock a. m. has been fixed by the court for the further hearing of the said petition, at which time any who may object to said sale, or desire to offer an increased price, may be heard.

John Jacob Boltze,
Executor.
D-6-13-20

PROGRAM AT THE STAR

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 9.

Friday.
Chiquita, the Dancer. Amer.
Men Who Dare, 2 reels. Rel.
Saturday.
The Wandered. Amer.
Oh, My Pipe. Lux.
Henpeck Bids for Freedom. Lux.
Domestic Treasurers. Gau.

She Had Consumption, Was Dying; Now Well

Eckman's Alternative is being used with success in the treatment of Tuberculosis in all parts of the country. Persons who have taken it, improved, gained weight, exhausted night sweats stopped, fever diminished, and many recovered. If you are interested to know more about it, we will put you in touch with some who are now well. You can investigate and judge for yourself. Read of Mrs. Gove's recovery.

"Gentlemen: Thinking that perhaps a short history of the remarkable recovery of my mother-in-law (Mrs. Anna Gove) might benefit some other sufferers, I give the following testimonial: About September 10, 1908, she was taken sick with Catarrhal Pneumonia, and continued to grow worse, requiring a trained nurse. Night sweats were so bad that it was necessary to change her clothing once or twice every night; her cough increased and got so bad that everybody expected that she would not live much longer. In January, when Rev. Wm. Berg, of St. Michael's Church at Shesville, Ind., preached for her death, he recommended that I use Eckman's Alternative, and see if it would not give her some relief. I then requested the attending physician to give his directions and he informed me that she had Consumption and was beyond all medical aid. When I asked if he thought that it was useless to try the Alternative, he replied that 'No physician could help her any and I could suit myself about it.' So I immediately had Rev. Wm. Berg to send for a bottle of Eckman's Alternative, and he informed me that she was now well. I insisted that she try the Alternative, which she did. I am glad to say that she soon began to improve. Now she works as hard as ever, weighs twenty pounds heavier than she ever did before she took sick, and is in good health. She frankly says she owes her life and health to Eckman's Alternative." (Sworn Affidavit) JES. GRIMM, Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever, Throat and Lung Trouble, and in unbuilding the system. Does not contain poisons, opiates or habit-forming drugs. Ask for booklet telling of recoveries, and write to Eckman Laboratories, Philadelphia, Pa. for more evidence. For sale by all leading druggists.

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A Modern Raleigh.
He was a stalwart young citizen, she a charming young woman. They were under an awning. The rain had ceased, but the street was muddy. He did not look like Sir Walter Raleigh, nor did she look like Queen Elizabeth. But probably Q. E. never looked prettier.
"Wuxtry poppers," shouted a newsboy.
"Say, kid," he said, "are you too busy to earn a half dollar?"
"Well, no," replied the boy, "do I look like a cheap edition of Mr. Rockefeller-baby? Show me de mun."
"Well, boy, take your papers, spread 'em out from curb to curb. Cover the mud with 'em. 'Get busy!'"
He paid the astonished boy. The car came. He bowed in courtly manner to the queen. She blushed and said:
"Oh, Billy, you foolish boy!" But she walked over the papered path as proudly as Q. E. could have done.
Then, like Q. E., she sentenced him for life. He is her meal ticket now.—Chicago Record-Herald

"More Bacon."

Many years ago Congdon's tavern in Wickford, Rhode Island, was famous for its good cheer, and in "Early Rhode Island" W. B. Weedon has an entertaining tale of John Randolph of Roanoke, who was once a visitor at the inn.

Mr. Randolph was on his way to Newport and made his journey on horseback with his cousin Edmund, secretary of state under Washington. All the way from New York "ham and eggs" had been the universal fare. At Wickford Congdon said he would give them claims for supper. The eccentric John of Roanoke rubbed his hands in pleased expectation. Then appeared the host again, saying the tide was too high for claims, but they should have some capital quahangs.

"Good heavens," exclaimed Randolph, who did not know that the quahang is a hard shelled variety of clam, "more bacon!"

The Academy Shine.

The man who has the most highly polished shoes in Paris today is Paul Bourget. To one of his friends who was marveling not long ago at their incomparable brilliancy he communicated, under an oath of secrecy, this recipe:

"First you wash the shoe so-so with some water. Then you dry it and rub blacking cloth over it. Next you take a second cloth, softer than the first, and rub until the shine is perfection itself. Then with a sheep bone you rub for five minutes to fix the blacking, and that operation puts it in the proper condition to receive the polish, which you spread on with your thumb. All you have to do after that is to let it dry."

For your shoes to acquire the academy brilliancy you polish unceasingly and then polish them some more.—Paris Petit Mele.

Sugar as a Disinfectant.

A custom has grown up in parts of Europe of burning sugar in sickrooms and has been looked upon as an innocent superstition. Investigations, however, have proved the practice a beneficial and scientific one. Professor Tribert of the Pasteur Institute at Paris demonstrated that burning sugar develops formic acetylene hydrogen one of the most powerful antiseptic gases known. Five grains of sugar in several tests were burned under a glass bell with a capacity of ten quarts. After the vapor had cooled bacilli of typhus, tuberculosis, cholera, smallpox, etc., were placed in the bell in open glass tubes, and within half an hour all the microbes were dead.—Stores and Hardware Reporter.

An Inspiring Experience.

A lady who must certainly have been related to the late Mrs. Partington recently returned from a seventy day tour of Europe.

To her friends she said with enthusiasm that of all the wonderful things that she had seen and heard she believed the thing she enjoyed most of all was hearing the French pheasants sing the mayonnaise.—Youth's Companion.

Consolation.

Motorist (to victim)—What is your name and address? Victim—John Smith, 14 Bean street. Motorist—All right, Smith, can't stop now, but tomorrow I will call at your house and try and convince you that you should carry an accident policy in the company I represent.—Puck.

A Hard Job.

"I see from your letterheads, Bilkins, that you are the assistant treasurer of that company of yours," said Witherbee. "Have you got so much money it takes two of you to look after it?"
"No," said Bilkins. "We have so little it takes two of us to find it."—Harpers.

Truth Eternal.

All errors have only a time. After a hundred million of objections, subtleties, sophisms, the smallest truth remains precisely what it was before.—Ancient Maxim.

About All.

Mother—What do you think you will make out of my daughter's talent? Professor (absentmindedly)—About \$2 a lesson if the piano holds out.—Exchange.

The Proper Way.

"Hello, old man. How do you find business?"
"How? By judicious advertising, of course."—Exchange.

LADIES

The Christmas rush has just started and we know that it will continue. One reason is that our prices are just the same before Christmas as they are at any other time of the year.

We have hired more help for this occasion. The store will be open every evening till 8:30.

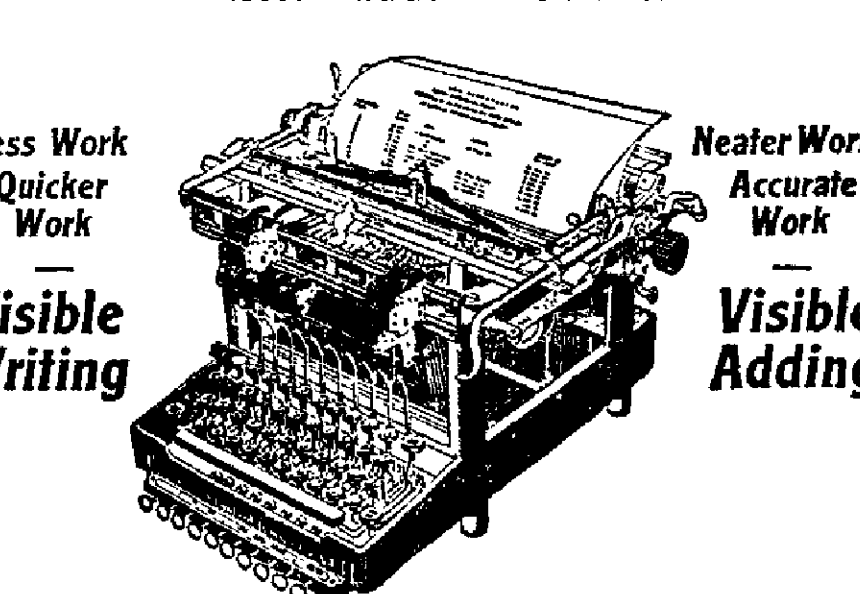
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A membership in the Charleroi Progressive Co-operative Association will prove a most valuable Christmas Present to any one. It will make one the collective owner of one of the most successful Co-operative Stores in the Country. It will start him in business for his own self and Co-operatively with 600 others will work for all that is good in humanity.

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- Assorted Chocolate, 3lbs for50c
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- Lemon Extract, two 10c bottles 15c
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- Co-Operators Best Baking Powder, as good as any at any price. Your money refunded if not as represented.

The Co-Operative Store

Monessen, Pa. Charleroi, Pa.

\$ MONEY \$

LOANS

\$10 and Up

We have made special arrangements to supply Housekeepers, Workingmen and Salaried Employees of Charleroi and vicinity with Christmas money, quickly, quietly and confidentially—without a bit of fuss, bother or delay.

NO Assignments or References
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When you borrow from us you have no worries or regrets. Particularly in time of sickness or loss of work, do our customers appreciate the courteous consideration treatment they receive at all times from the **AMERICAN**.

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THE WINTER CLUB DANCE TONIGHT

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ONE CENT

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

Within His Jurisdiction
According to the
State Law

TO RECEIVE ATTENTION

O. E. Mikesell, County Sealer,
Says Scope of Duties
Will be Enlarged

Owing to the great interest that attaches to an inspection of water, gas and electric meters, Sealer of Weights and Measures O. Evans Mikesell submitted to an interview in the Washington Observer, found below, in which he says that these public utility meters come within his jurisdiction, but owing to a pressure of other phases of his work he is unable at this time to give them any attention. Sealer Mikesell has received much correspondence upon the subject from various parts of the county and many personal calls relative to the subject. The interview follows:

"I have received so many communications and have been importuned so often regarding the inspection of water, gas and electric meters that a statement at this time will do much to relieve the situation and at the same time set the general public aright as to what can be expected in an investigation of these important measuring devices.

"Water, gas and electric meters, devices for measuring water, natural gas and electricity undoubtedly come within the present laws of the state as to inspection of weights, measures and scales or balances. In the act of 1911 are found these words: 'Where not otherwise provided by law, the inspectors shall have the power, within their respective jurisdictions, to inspect, test, try and ascertain if they are correct, all weights, scales, beams, measures of every kind, instruments or mechanical devices for measurement and the tools, appliances or accessories connected with any or all such instruments or measurements, used or employed within the city by any proprietor, agent, lessee, or employee in determining the size, quality, extent, area or measurement of quantity, things, produce, articles of distribution or consumption, offered or submitted by any person or persons for sale, for hire or award.'

"As water, gas and electricity are commercial products sold by public corporations to a general public their devices for measurement thereof are amenable to the present law.

"Many complaints are received at this office anent alleged shortages in water, gas and electricity. Whether these complaints are real or fancied the sealer is unable to say. Many patrons of these public utilities complain because they are unable to make a test of their own meters to ascertain whether or not they are getting what they pay for all the time. The general complaint is not so much that the patron is not getting what is coming to him for the amount of money expended, but that he has no way of knowing whether he is getting full measure. Some public utilities inspect their own meters and whether the work is honestly done or not is a matter of opinion.

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Interest Over \$700

County Receives Goodly Sum
on Money Deposited
in Banks

The interest statement just compiled by County Treasurer Samuel N. Downer shows that during the past month the county received \$717.12 interest on county funds deposited under the direction of Treasurer Downer. Since the first of the year the county has received \$7,888.21 in interest through the foresight of the treasurer.

TODAY BREAKS RECORD

Twelfth Day, Twelfth
Month, Twelfth Year
is the Lineup

TOMORROW FRIDAY 13

Today carries off a century record as well as a monthly record. Tomorrow will be a record day also, and according to superstition should be a queer sort.

The century record is that today for the first time in 100 years it is possible to write three "12s" in characterizing the date. Twelfth day, twelfth month, twelfth year is the way it goes. The monthly record is that this is the coldest day of the month the mercury creeping down to from 15 to 20 degrees.

Tomorrow will be Friday the thirteenth, either a lucky day or an unlucky day, depending on the point of view. This day will be the second Friday the 13th, this year, the first one having been in September.

Twenty in. jointed Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 50c at Pfieghardt's.

New Light Train to Chicago.
Via Columbus and the Pan Handle Route. Leaves Union Station, Pittsburgh 6:30 p. m. (Central Time). Connecting Pennsylvania Railroad train leaves Charleroi 5:50 p. m.
No. 1184 D-12-19

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10c to \$10.00 at Pfieghardt's.

A marriage license was granted at Washington Wednesday to Miss Catherine E. Jacobs and Finley C. Morgan both of North Charleroi.

Ladies Desks all popular styles and finishes, \$7.50 to \$25.00 at Pfieghardt's.

ALLEGED THIEF EVEN TAKES BED CLOTHES

Monessen Hotels Suffer From Room Burglaries--
Police Looking for Slippery Individual
Believed to be Guilty

Monessen police authorities are looking for a slippery individual who is charged with the theft of a lot of bed clothing, dollies, and various articles from three hotels in Monessen. About three weeks ago, the man appeared and asked for a room at the Monessen Hotel. He paid his bill and left after a one night's stay. Later it was found that his room had been stripped.

The following night a man thought to be the same one registered at the

Fifth Avenue Hotel, and after he had gone the room was found to be minus a number of articles.

On Wednesday of this week a man appeared at the Grand Hotel, one of the best in Monessen. The performance was repeated, the room being stripped of bed clothing, dollies and such like. Before the man had been discovered the man had left town. It is stated he did not touch jewelry, confining his operations to the stripping of his room, using a suit case in which to pack the goods.

ROLLED IRON DISK INTO BUILDING

Boys Before Burgess Risbeck
Charged With Damaging House

Three boys with their parents were before Burgess George W. Risbeck Wednesday evening to answer to the charge of rolling a big iron disk down the hill from The Pines into the rear of the home of Andrew McKean. Aged from 7 to 13, the lads seemed to have but slight conception of the seriousness of their offense, but were scared all the same. Burgess Risbeck let them off with a severe reprimand.

Last week the boys took an iron disk from the grating on the corner of Crest avenue and Fifth street and rolled it down the hill. It tore its way through a fence and grape arbor to lodge in the rear of the McKean dwelling leaving a hole two inches deep in the woodwork. The disk was two and a half feet in diameter and an inch thick, weighing more than an ordinary man would care to lift.

ALLEN TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT MADE

The triennial valuation returns for Allen township for the year 1912 have been filed in Washington by the assessors of the township. There are 413 taxables in the township, 41 more than were returned last year and the total valuation for county purposes is \$617,710. This is an increase of \$196,960 over the valuation returned by the triennial assessor in 1911.

According to the returns there are 48 horses in the township and 53 head of cattle, valued at \$2,825 and \$1,905 respectively. One hundred and sixty-three acres of coal lands valued at \$95,475 are returned. An increase of 15 acres is shown in the returns of this year over those of last year, and the valuation of the coal lands is increased \$50,375 over the assessment of a year ago. Cleared land to the number of 1,407 acres were returned, 15 acres less than were returned last year. This probably means the 15 acres lapsed back into barbarism and were unproductive.

The assessment on occupations this year was \$97,875 against \$34,100 a year ago, while the value of houses and lots this year was assessed at \$271,490, as against \$229,750 last year. The return shows that Allen township has declined agriculturally in the past year, but has made substantial gains industrially.

WEDDING TO TAKE PLACE TONIGHT

Miss Margaretta Christy to
Become Bride of Chaplain
David Fleming

In the Protestant Episcopal Church of The Ascension at Pittsburgh this evening at 8 o'clock, Miss Margaretta Melusina Christy of Charleroi will become the bride of the Rev. David L. Fleming, chaplain of the Second Cavalry, U. S. A., now stationed in Fort Bliss, Tex. The Rev. Dr. Robert Wadlington Grange, rector emeritus of Calvary Church will perform the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. Lucius W. Shey of Charleroi.

The bride, who will be given away by her brother-in-law, Richard Anderson Roberts of Charleroi, will wear a costume of French gray charmeuse trimmed with chiffon and silver cloth, and a large black hat trimmed with ostrich feathers. She will carry a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The matron of honor, Mrs. William H. Baltzell, a niece of the bride, will be attired in black velvet with touches of pink chiffon, and a black chapeau trimmed with white plumes. Dr. Richard K. Fleming will be his brother's best man, and four nephews, J. Christy Roberts of Charleroi; James Milnor Roberts, Thomas Paschall Roberts, Jr., and Richard K. Fleming, Jr., will be the ushers.

A small reception and wedding dinner will follow the ceremony in the home of Col. Thomas Paschall Roberts, in Aiken avenue. A color scheme of pink will prevail in the drawing and living rooms, and in the dining room narcissi, stevia, roses, and groups of palms and ferns will be used. Chaplain Fleming is a son of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Fleming of Pioneer avenue, Brookline and recently returned from the Philippine Islands. At the end of a honeymoon trip, Chaplain and Mrs. Fleming will make their home at Fort Bliss, Tex.

Magazines for Xmas.
We will send the Cosmopolitan and Delineator for one year to one or two addresses for \$2.30. Might's Book Store.

Soccer Football.
The strong Beadling team will play at Dunlevy Saturday and a good game is expected. Beadling team has not lost a game away from home this season and Dunlevy has not lost a game at home. This is expected to be the best game of the season. 120-42

POSTOFFICE SWAMPED BY THE HOLIDAY TRADE

New Church
The Desire
Laboratory People Asking
Presbytery to Establish
Denomination

Church people to the number of 94 persons living in the vicinity of Laboratory, near the county seat, have petitioned the Washington Presbyterian to organize a Presbyterian church at Laboratory. The petition was presented at a meeting of the presbytery at Roscoe Tuesday.

LOCAL MEN IN TRADE

Bert Humphries and
Kinsely With Chicago
Nationals

TINKER GOES TO CINCINNATI

The long expected trade to make shortstop Joe Tinker of the Chicago National league club, manager of the Cincinnati team, was effected late Wednesday at the close of the National league's annual meeting.

By the deal, as finally effected, Chicago gives Tinker, Catcher Chapman and Pitcher Lauderhill to Cincinnati in exchange for Pitcher Humphries, shortstop Corriden, outfielders Mitchell and Knisley and infielder Arthur P. Phelan. With Corriden secured by Cincinnati from Detroit to figure in the trade the way seems clear for carrying out the plan for Frank Chance, through the medium of a Cincinnati-Detroit exchange to enter the American league and become manager of the New York American league team.

It was also announced that Boston had sold shortstop Bridewell to Chicago.

Both Humphries and Knisley formerly played with Charleroi. Humphries lives at California and Knisley at Rices Landing.

Christmas Bazar.
The ladies of the Episcopal church will hold their Christmas Bazaar and Food Sale Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14 in the Vetter building, McKean avenue, next to Schafer's jewelry store. You will find all kinds of fancy and domestic articles suitable for Christmas gifts. Come and buy our genuine English plum puddings for 50 cents. Sandwiches and coffee will also be served. 118-13

Notice.
Riggs and Stebb, the most up-to-date Shoe Store in the valley will give to each and every new born baby, a pair of soft sole shoes. Call at our store and make your selection. 118-41

Postmaster McCordle
Applies for Additional
Help

ASKS ANOTHER CARRIER

Unable Under Present
Circumstances to Get After-
noon Mail Out Promptly

Postmaster J. E. McCordle has made application to the postoffice officials at Washington D. C. for additional help during the holidays. His request is for a clerk and a carrier. With the first of the year Postmaster McCordle hopes to secure a regular additional carrier. In fact with the putting into effect the parcels post law it will be absolutely necessary that he have the services of an extra man.

So great is the bulk of mail matter now that it is practically impossible, Postmaster McCordle says, for the force to handle it. Mail received on the 3 o'clock train—in fact from 3 o'clock on in the afternoon—is not delivered over the various routes until the following morning. This the postmaster states is due to the holiday rush.

The morning mail both north and south is the heaviest, as a matter of fact. This the carriers deliver during the morning and even have to spend a part of the afternoon on it. Noon mail arrives at such a time that the attention of the clerks and carriers is required to handle it late in the afternoon, leaving the after 3 o'clock mails to be sorted ready for delivery the first thing in the morning.

With an extra carrier, Postmaster McCordle is of the opinion that good holiday service can be maintained. Without extra help such service will be impossible. He will make an effort to secure two additional carriers for six days during the busiest season.

COULD FURNISH A REGIMENT HERE

Should Capt. Richmond Hobson's annual war scare be founded upon fact and should the United States be called upon to fight any one of the several nations, Charleroi could supply one good sized regiment and have enough men left to form a company, all necessary officers being included.

According to the military enrollment taken in his assessment by Assessor J. L. Reeves, there are about 1,100 men in Charleroi, who could be called upon to perform military duty. This is an increase of about 100 men from the figures taken last year. It takes under the old military law approximately 1,000 men to form a regiment and 100 men to form a company.

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Air Guns 50c to \$1.
Boxing Gloves \$1.50.
Sand Hoisting Machine 50c.
Steam Engines \$1 up.
Sewing Machines 50c to \$1.
Magic Lanterns 50c up.

WHAT GIRLS LIKE
Dolls, Dressed 25c to \$2.50.
Doll Baggies all prices.
Play Tables 25c to \$1.
Sewing Machines 50c to \$1.
Blackboards \$1 to \$2.
Rocking Chairs 25c up.
Doll House 25c to \$1.50.
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sertion.

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WHY WOMEN SHOULD VOTE

The argument against woman suf-
frage—that woman's place is in the
home and that she is not to take part
in public affairs, is but a continua-
tion of the effort to keep woman en-
slaved and degraded. It is because
woman has stuck to the home and
not asserted her rights that the awful
conditions of white slavery exist, and
it is man that has constituted this
slavery and perpetuated it. Now,
that woman is showing up the evils,
the whole civilized world is horrified
at the disclosures. As a matter of
fact conditions everywhere are not
nearly so bad since the women have
taken a hand in righting the wrongs
of their sisters, and it is con-
stantly growing better. Only when
women in every part of the civilized
world have the right of suffrage, will
the problem be solved as completely
as it is possible for any human ques-
tion to be settled.

Starting with the dawn of civiliza-
tion, when woman was regarded as
but a chattel, the depravity of man
has enslaved her in the thralldom of
vice. If the world is horrified now
with the condition of things that are
just now being made public for the
first time, what about conditions in
the past, when man's control, was su-
preme, and he had full political sway?
Conditions for centuries were kept
under cover so far as refined society
was concerned and man traded in
vice, retained political power through
its medium, and grew rich in its
traffic. It is only now when the wo-
men are getting active and that the
problem is receiving the thought and
attention of the best people of the
country. Jane Addams of the Hull
House Settlement in Chicago has done
and is doing more than any other one
person since the dawn of civilization
in this one particular line of rescu-
ing unfortunate womanhood from the
thralldom of vice in which the de-
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and hampered because men still want
to use vice as a commercial and po-
litical asset. It is one of the great
economic problems of the day and
it can only be solved when the sex
that it is most concerned has an equal
voice in the politics that uses vice to
further its ends and perpetuates its
power. The barbarians made slaves
and chattels of their women; the
Christian nations have made some
progress in ameliorating woman's
physical conditions, but they have
not reached the stage where a wo-
man is considered a complete human
being with all the rights and privi-
leges that humanity is supposed to
enjoy.

BUSTING THE EGG TRUST.

By co-operation and combination,
the Housekeepers' League of Phila-
delphia, an organization of women
whose sphere of operation is along
the same lines as the Charleroi mar-
keting club, has engaged in a cam-
paign to "bust" the egg trust of that
city. It is learned that the cold
storage people have immense stocks
of eggs on hand which they are hold-
ing for high prices. When the retail
prices of eggs soared up to 40 cents
a dozen, the women got busy. There
are 400 or more in the organization,
and they sent agents out into the country
to purchase a supply. This was ac-
complished, and distributing stations
were selected at various parts of the
city, and the League announced it
would sell candied eggs for 24 cents
a dozen. Wednesday was the first
selling day, and 150,000 dozen were
sold. The next day, the demand was
so great that the candlers could not supply the demand
the first day. By working nights the
candlers hope to keep up with the demand.

This is one of the effectual ways of
breaking the trusts that put up the
prices of food products. In any large
town a company of people could co-
operate and for a small sum build a
cold storage house that would meet
the demands of the co-operators. By
judicious buying and selling many of
the staple products could be bought
when cheap and stored for winter use.
Apples, which are now selling at re-
tail for 10 cents a quart of a peck,
could have been bought early in the
season in quantities for 60 or 70
cents a bushel. Potatoes could also
have been bought early in the season
much cheaper than they retail at,
and stored and distributed throughout
the winter. This is a proposition that
some of the co-operative associations
should investigate.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

Wonder how the telephone com-
panies like Christmas time?

A certain letter didn't arrive for a
business man and he lost \$1,000. Look
what letters will do.

Had you told the American five
years ago that within that and one
more year he could be sending a live
chicken by mail he would have insisted
that your place was in the Willie
house.

When a man attempts to be funny
by addressing a group as gentlemen
and saying "gentlemen" he is paying himself the
compliment that he never was in a
position to be addressed as one of
such.

Not Scared; Only Sensible.
Sarcastic was beautiful Stella
Who thought she was loved by a fel-
lah
He didn't propose
She called him morose,
Then stated she thought he was yel-
lah.

It will supposedly be necessary for
the imagined bridge at the alleged
town of Brownsville to be they say
rebuilt it is understood according to
the it is stated plans of a certain
avered coal exchange.

Every poem has at least one reader.
Sometimes it is the writer himself.

A person would have thought that
all the sensationists would have
gone to the seashore Monday to par-
ticipate in the annual winter bathing.
Why should Walter Camp's selec-
tion of All American football players
be any better than any other fellows.
Personally our pick is the team that
will play at Charleroi on Saturday.

A correspondent wishes to know
how to straighten an ostrich plume.
Bury it.

Some of these cold storage eggs
should be given a place in the Wash-
ington County Historical room.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

In the midst of foreigners, the
making of American citizens from the
material at hand is perplexing state,
school and church just now. Homer
Willie, in Collier's is treating the
subject in a series of articles. His
inquiry into all sorts and conditions
of foreigners contains much that is
practical for people in Fayette coun-
ty, says the Uniontown Herald. Some-
of his material is "wisdom from the
mouths of babes." The extract given
here shows something of what a typi-
cal American boy, whose ancestors
fought in the Revolution thinks about
the foreigners. To quote:

"What's your idea," asked Ames,
"of a real American? What does he
stand for in a general way?"

"Oh, he's a fellow who's born in
this country. You can always tell
an American boy because he's so
much smarter than a foreigner."

"But what does he stand for?" per-
sisted Ames. "What makes him smart-
er than the foreign boys?"

"Aw, he's born that way! Ameri-
cans are the smartest people in the
world. Look at all the rich Ameri-
cans there are."

"Now look here Billy," said Ames,
"supposing I brought an Italian boy
to you and said: 'Billy, show this
kid how to be an American.' What
would you do to him?"

"Well, I'd get him some good
clothes and I'd teach him English,
and I'd put him in a school so he'd
learn how to support himself, and
then, let's see: I'd make a Boy Scout
out of him."

"Why?" asked Ames with inter-
est.

"Well, that's where he'd learn what
you don't learn in a school and what
your folks don't teach you. It's
it's to be on the level and a good
sport—aw, I can't tell you—but if
you've got a good scout master, you
get a kind of feeling about America
you know, that you wouldn't get in
school in a hundred years. That's the
way I'd teach these foreign kids.

Make 'em feel as if they wanted to
keep America a fine country to live
in."

That is the point. Teaching the
foreign boy what he "couldn't" learn
in a school in a hundred years" and
making him feel like making Ameri-
ca a fine country to live in, is the dif-
ficult work that we are facing.

They Recover Quickly.
The marriage of either the remar-
riage statistics in the mairnes of Paris
make sad reading for the sentimental-
ists. Of 2,270 discounolate widowers
148 remarry within a year. The de-
fections increase with terrible rapidity
in the second year, which sees 625 re-
laps from the ranks of mourners. At
the end of the third year only thirty
seven widowers remain. With the wid-
ows it is even worse. None remarry
within the first year of their husband's
decease, but it is feared that this is due
not to fidelity, but to the strict legal
veto which obtains in France. Once
the law's delay is at an end they go off
with verigenuous rapidity. Of 1,907
weeping widows in eighteen months
only four had not exchanged their
weeds for wedding garments.—Paris
Cor London Telegraph

Norway's Sick Insurance Law.
Norway has a sick insurance law
which embraces all wage earners and
public servants over fifteen years of
age whose yearly earnings do not ex-
ceed \$322 if in the rural districts or
\$375 in the cities. The law also pro-
vides that the employer shall pay a
certain percentage (one-sixth) of the
premium; while he is held responsible
for the whole, but may deduct from
the wages of the insured at the end of
the term for which the premium is
paid the amount thus advanced. The-
oretically it is self insurance on the
contributive plan, while actually it
amounts to an extra tax upon the em-
ployer, as most employees stipulate
when engaging their services that the
insurance premium shall be paid in
addition to the wages.

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